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PUBLIC interest in foreign policy in Israel is both widespread and intense, sometimes perhaps too much so. Because it affects us all, foreign affairs are considered everybody's business. Many people who care little about politics on any other level have very firm convictions in that field. Unfortunately, however, not all of these ideas are sound, and not all of the advice offered is of much use. For while it is perfectly true that foreign politics do affect everybody, in our days it has become a fairly complicated and specialised subject like most other fields dealing with human relations; and convictions, however praiseworthy and strong, are not enough. This, however, is not generally acknowledged and it is a curious fact that such people as lawyers, orientalists, literar ocities, party secretaries, leaders of sport organisations (in order to mention only a few cases in recent days) who would ridicule amateurish advice in their own field, appear to believe that there is nothing essentially wrong with dilettantism in foreign politics. The genius may unerringly take the right decision but most of us are ordinary human beings and cannot rely on such inspiration.

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THERE should be an embargo on platitudes in times of crisis. But if some members of the Knesset are convinced that the unfettered flight of political fantasy is what we most need now, one can hardly blame some sections of the press for a similar attitude. They go on harping on the theme of the "information campaign" which has failed, as if this were the decisive issue just now. They are looking for allies who should not be too big nor too small, and not too near and not too far. They also require altruistic and cultural proximity. Those who take part in this competition reach different conclusions, but the panaceas all have one thing in common; they have been conceived in a vacuum, they take into account the interests of this country, but not the intentions of the other side. Viewing Israel foreign affairs in isolation from world politics has become even more popular than underwater fishing. But building houses of cards is not architecture.

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DISRAELI in one of his novels describes a Mr. Kremlin, who, he says, had only one idea and that was wrong. Nevertheless one idea theories have remained a favourite pastime, because whole ideological superstructures may be erected on a single false assumption. Typical of that fashion is an article concerned with German-Israel relations published in one of the dailies over the weekend. Everything is correct there but the basic assumption, to wit that diplomatic relations are ties between peoples, not states. There is an almost unlimited number of helpful suggestions to be offered, once one has decided to take for granted things which are not so. One possibility is to outline an "Asian orientation" without of course letting oneself to be drawn into such petty details as to what Asian countries are meant and what would be the conditions for such a rapprochement. Another alternative is a "Jewish Foreign Policy," and additional interest will be provided by frequent and radical changes in one's position because lack of principles may be mistaken by some for a dynamic foreign policy.

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PUBLIC concern with affairs of state is the basis of a democratic state. But no civic duty exists obliging members of the Knesset and the public to speak and write if they have nothing to say. Passions, shouting, the use of extreme and explosive slogans will be more often than not a tale full of sound and fury, signifying nothing, and absolute conviction in the correctness of one's thesis is always the monopoly of the half-educated doctrinaire. The practice of thinking aloud, voicing all kinds of half-baked ideas that have just occurred to one, may be of indubitable value in psychoanalysis, but in a foreign policy debate one is supposed to think one or two steps ahead. An Englishman is content to say nothing when he has nothing to say, Johnson wrote to Boswell. Unfortunately, not even those leaning towards the British Commonwealth in this country are willing to adopt that lesson.

Jerusalem, Sept. 6.

Tractor Driver, Beduin Killed By Infiltrators

A tractor driver from Ruhama, about eight kilometres west of the Faluja-Beersheba road, and an Israel Beduin were murdered by infiltrators early yesterday morning, the Army spokesman announced last night.

The tractor driver was found shot dead near his vehicle yesterday. He had been hit by four Sten-gun bullets. The tracks of the murderers led across the armistice lines to the Gaza Strip.

The Israel Beduin was killed south-east of Shivta, a kilometre-and-a-half from the Egyptian border, when he and his companions were attacked by Egyptian infiltrators. Two other Beduin were wounded and a flock of 17 sheep was stolen.

Over 100 metres of irrigation pipes were stolen from Moshav Patish in the Northern Negev on Saturday night. The tracks of four barefoot men and two donkeys led towards the Gaza Strip. Irrigation pipes were also stolen from Kibbutz Mefalsim in the same area.

Here, too, the tracks led to the Gaza Strip.

2 Live Mines

Two live mines were discovered in a field belonging to Kfar Ahim in the South on Saturday. They were dismantled by sappers.

An attempt by infiltrators to break into the Eitanim Hospital in the Jerusalem Corridor was foiled by the watchmen on the spot, who opened fire on the marauders. The tracks of two men led across the armistice lines.

Five Jordanian servicemen were handed over to U.N. officials at the former Government House in Jerusalem on Saturday morning, the Army spokesman announced. Four of them were Legionnaires and one a policeman. They had been captured during border incidents.

According to NEARS, the Chief of staff of the U.N. Truce Supervision Organisation, General Burns, said in Amman recently that he was confident Israel would soon return to the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission and was only waiting for suitable circumstances. NEARS also said that Gen. Burns and Gen. Bennike had met with Rav-Aluf Dayan, the Israel Chief of Staff, on the return of the Jordanian prisoners.

JORDAN THREATENS RETALIATION

The senior Jordan delegate to the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission, Major Mohammed Itshak, has informed the Chairman, Commander E. Hutchison, that Jordan would not be responsible for any possible "acts of retaliation by Jordan individuals" in revenge for Israel acts of aggression, the Old City daily, "A-Sareeh," reported.

Major Itshak added that Jordan was aware that the Truce Supervision Organization cared little about armistice affairs.

In an editorial addressed to the Egyptian Minister of National Guidance, Major Salah Salem, who is at present touring Jordan, "Falastin," another Old City daily, said that the final solution of the "Palestine question" would only come by the sword.

British Propose Europe Conference in 2 Weeks

LONDON, Sunday (Reuter). — British envoys in Washington, Ottawa and the capitals of the six E.D.C. countries have been told to make definite proposals for a London conference in mid-September on the collapse of the European Army plan, the Foreign Office spokesman announced today.

Instructions to this effect have been sent to them by Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden.

The conference would be at Foreign Minister level.

The spokesman said it was hoped to circulate an agenda and a definite basis for discussion some time next week, after the views of the West German Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, on the present situation, had reached London.

The British High Commissioner in Germany, Sir Frederick Hoyer-Millar, called on Dr. Adenauer last week to discuss the failure of E.D.C. Adenauer undertook to communicate his considered views to London within a few days, but he has not yet done so.

At the same time, the British Ambassador to France, Sir Gladwyn Jebb, called on Premier Pierre Mendes-France.

The aim of the conference, expected to end in time for delegates to be present at the opening of the U.N. General Assembly on September 21, would be to frame definite recommendations to be laid before a ministerial meeting of the NATO Council to be held in New York in the near future.

Canada Included

The Canadian Government indicated that Canada wished to be consulted at every stage of the negotiations on a future German contribution to Western Defence. Britain has broadened the original proposal for an eight-power conference — the six E.D.C. nations, Britain and the U.S.—to nine-power talks, including Canada.

Commenting on last night's broadcast statement by Dr. Adenauer that West Germany was already negotiating on the question of a German defence community with Britain and the U.S., officials here said it was true that both the British and American High Commissioners had discussed this question with Dr. Adenauer last week.

Britain opened discussions on this question with the French Government at the same time, it was pointed out here.

The two main questions to be discussed by the London conference would be: the form of a German defence contribution since the rejection of the E.D.C. treaty, and the return of West German sovereignty.

In the first stages, the second item would be a matter for discussion between four nations, the three occupation powers — the U.S., France, and Britain—and West Germany.

Knesset to Discuss Development Budget

The final week of the current Knesset session is to open this afternoon with the 1954/55 Development Budget on the agenda.

This should pass its final reading on Tuesday, with the remaining time tomorrow and Wednesday being devoted to the second and third readings of amendments to the Stamp Tax Ordinance, the Punishment Laws and the City Building Ordinance.

US, Germany Favour London Conference

BONN, Sunday. — West Germany would welcome a formal British invitation to a conference in London on the future of European defence, a Government spokesman said here tonight.

In Washington today, Officials predicted that the U.S. would agree to a mid-September London conference provided that France, Britain and West Germany had concrete proposals for the solution of European defence problems.

A State Department official said that such a conference would be regarded as a "very sound preliminary" to a discussion in the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation's Council of Ministers.

He emphasized that the U.S. was ready to back to the hilt any E.D.C.-type scheme for the unified defence of Western Europe. America believed that the next move should come from the European powers themselves.

Leipzig Fair Aims to Boost East-West Trade

LEIPZIG, Sunday (Reuter). — The Leipzig industrial sample and book fair opened here today. The exhibits of 38 non-Communist countries — an unprecedented number — and of eight Soviet bloc countries are aimed primarily at increasing East-West trade.

It is expected that 600,000 persons will have visited the fair by the time it closes on September 15.

East Germany is by far the biggest exhibitor. In the words of its Prime Minister, Otto Grotewohl, at the ceremonial opening last night, East Germany wants $250m. worth of imports from the West and is prepared to do $400m. marks worth of business with the West at Leipzig.

He also announced sweeping price reductions in consumer goods. He spoke at the annual Leipzig Fair which opened with a call for more trade with the West, and said that the price cuts would range from 20 to 45 per cent.

The Soviet exhibit comes next in size, followed by China and Czechoslovakia. Belgium, France, Britan, and Austria are the biggest Western exhibitors.

Fresh Offensive In War Manoeuvres

An armoured column of the "Green" forces yesterday unsuccessfully tried to penetrate "Blue" territory, but did succeed in inflicting some damage on the "Blue" forces. The armoured column, which consisted of tanks and jeeps, sought in vain to expose the enemy tank and anti-tank positions, while they managed to destroy some 15 "Blue" vehicles, it was announced.

The hard-fought battle, with all the trimmings of war, including realistic explosions and attempts on the part of prisoners to swallow secret documents to prevent their falling into the hands of the enemy, followed the opening on Saturday night of an offensive by the Green forces.

The manoeuvres, which took place among some ancient and modern historic sites, were observed by foreign military attaches and U.N. officials.

Kaufmann Sewage Plan Approved

The first technical stage in the Kaufmann sewage disposal plan in the Dan area was approved yesterday by the Ministerial Economic Committee, it was officially announced.

The expenditure of IL.1.8m. for the sewage pipe-line along the Yarkon River was agreed to, as was IL.1.1m. for the 800-metre line along the Tel Aviv coast.

Later stages of the plan call for a sewer line from the Reading Power Station to Jaffa, and a purification plant near the Station.

Rosenberg Question At Cabinet Meeting

The discussion of the "Rosenberg Affair" at yesterday's Cabinet meeting was brief to the extreme. It was limited to the Minister of Justice, Mr. P. Rosen, being asked by the Minister of Posts, Dr. Y. Burg, to explain how the Press had gained its information on the results of the investigations which have been appearing during the last few days.

"I don't know," was Mr. Rosen's reply.

Mr. Rosenberg, Deputy Minister for Social Welfare, has been under investigation for alleged infractions of the foreign currency regulations.

The official communique said: The Cabinet, at its weekly meeting, yesterday, heard a report by the Minister of Defence on the border situation. Among other current matters, the Cabinet discussed the division of the reserve of the 1954-55 budget.

Temporary Accord Relaxes Threat Of Bus Strike

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — A temporary agreement was reached with the bus companies today, averting the threatened strike without increasing fares.

The agreement which was reached between the Ministries of Finance and Communications and representatives of the three bus cooperatives, Egged, Dan and Hamekasher, provides for the return to the companies of the cost of the recent rise in fuel prices up to IL.80,000 per month as of June 1 this year. This represents two per cent of the companies' expenses.

It was also agreed to calculate the cost to the companies of the 17 Chausson buses acquired by them according to the former exchange rate of IL.1.320 per $1 which will give the cooperatives about IL.100,000.

The Ministry of Finance agreed to grant sufficient credit to the companies to purchase 100 new Leyland buses. The loan is for one year at 6.5 per cent.

When the Minister of Communications returns from his trip abroad, a public inquiry commission will draw up a report on fares within four months of being constituted, the representatives of the bus cooperatives were told here by the Directors-General of the Ministries of Finance and Communications.

A spokesman for the companies said that the arrangement would still cause the cooperatives to lose money, but they had yielded to the persuasion of the Ministers and hoped to fare better at the hands of the public inquiry commission.

Some Civil Servants To Strike Tomorrow

Civil Service workers with academic training have called a strike for tomorrow in protest against the failure of the Government to fulfil their demands for higher grading. Those participating in the strike include psychologists, pedagogues, orientalists and sociologists.

Physicians' Problems

The Committee of Ministers dealing with the salaries of Government-employed physicians has decided to entrust an inter-ministerial committee with the task of investigating the facts and forming conclusions.

The committee has been given until the end of the month to make its recommendations to the Committee of Ministers, which is composed of the Minister of Finance, Mr. Levi Eshkol, the Minister of Labour, Mrs. Golda Myerson and the Minister of Health, Mr. Joseph Serlin.

New Municipal Setup Voted for Natanya

NATANYA, Sunday. — The plan for the reorganisation of the Natanya Municipality, proposed by Mayor Oved Ben-Ami, was passed tonight by the seven votes of the three General Zionist members of the coalition and the two Mapai and two Progressive members of the opposition. The Le'ahdut Ha'avoda and Mapam members voted against, while the three Herut and two Hapoel Hamizrahi Councillors, who are members of the coalition, boycotted the meeting.

Under the reorganisation scheme, the Municipality is to be divided into two technical departments: a Financial Department to be administered by Mr. Ben Zion Argov, former Income Tax Commissioner and a Services Department to be administered by Mr. David Caspi, of Haifa, and Mr. A. Levin, a local architect.

Introducing the measure, Mr. Ben-Ami said that he thought party interests were damaging the work of local government throughout the country, leading to inefficiency and corruption. He appealed to Councillors to rise above party in the interests of the Municipality.

'Irresponsible Thinking' To Arm Arabs—Eban

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Mr. Abba Eban, Ambassador to the U.S., drew an overflow audience tonight at the Z.O.A. open air auditorium where he spoke on Israel's foreign relations.

He said that arming of Arabs by the West was "irresponsible political thinking," and while there were many clear minds in the U.S. who understood Israel's fears, their expression of understanding helped little while Arabs received the arms.

However, Mr. Eban added, the new friends one could expect to gain in the world now, could only come in addition to U.S. friendship. Israel's position, he added, would be firmer if it were stronger on the internal front.

Mr. Eban lunched yesterday with Mr. Meyer Weisgal, Chairman of the Executive Council of the Weizmann Institute, and Mrs. Weisgal, at their home in Rehovot, and later toured the buildings and grounds of the Institute.

Mr. Eban was accompanied by his brother-in-law, Dr. S. Ambache. They paid their respects at the grave of Dr. Weizmann.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

Senator William Knowland, the Senate majority leader, yesterday called on the United States to break off diplomatic relations with Russia after the shooting down of an American bomber off Vladivostok.

China Pulling Out Seven Divisions From N. Korea

LONDON, Sunday (Reuter). — Seven divisions of Chinese troops are to be withdrawn from Korea this month and next, the New China News Agency reported today from Peking.

The Agency also announced the resignation of General Peng Teh-huai, commander of the "Chinese Peoples' Volunteers."

The U.S. and Britain had announced earlier that four of the six American divisions in South Korea are to be withdrawn shortly and that the British Commonwealth division is to be reduced to brigade size.

General Maxwell Taylor, Eighth Army Commander, said yesterday that there were "some indications" of a Chinese withdrawal from the North.

SEATO Parley Opens In Manila Today

MANILA, Sunday (Reuter). — The U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Dulles, today settled several points of dispute in private meetings with some of the Foreign Ministers who are to start conferring here tomorrow on a proposed SEATO defence system for South-East Asia.

Mr. Dulles spent 90 minutes with Mr. Richard Casey, Australian External Affairs Minister, who said afterwards that he was "not dissatisfied", and thought that the SEATO would "go an appreciable way towards filling the gap in Australia's defence."

The U.S. Secretary of State who later talked with Prince Wan Writhayakon of Thailand, was reported to be "very pleased" with the progress made by the working party of officials.

An official source stated that there was still "a certain amount of dispute, but not a great deal" on the American draft for the treaty.

It is understood that Mr. Dulles has cleared disagreements on a machinery for carrying out SEATO decisions, and that all eight nations agree to the draft clause saying that each signatory will take action "according to its constitutional processes."

A point on which agreement has not been reached is whether the powers should promise to react to "Communist aggression" or "aggression" without the adjective.

It is understood on the highest authority that Australia will press for exclusion of the word "Communist" because it might be regarded as provocative and prevent other countries from joining the treaty later.

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Floods Slowly Recede In Yangtse Basin

HONG KONG, Sunday (Reuter). — The floods which have engulfed vast areas of China are slowly sinking today — and with them is receding the biggest challenge to Mao Tse-tung's regime.

It had appeared that harvests might be so devastated that the country would be unable to feed its 600 million people. But now the creeping danger is fading in the basin of the mighty Yangtse River, where the water reached its highest level for a century.

US Naval Aircraft Shot Down Off Vladivostok

WASHINGTON, Sunday (Reuter). — The State Department announced today that a U.S. Navy Neptune plane on "routine patrol" was shot down by two jet aircraft, "apparently of the MIG-15 type" in the sea of Japan. In Moscow, meanwhile, Acting Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko handed the U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Charles Bohlen, a note protesting the alleged violation of Soviet air space by an American plane.

Mr. Fred Seaton, Assistant Secretary of Defence who made the announcement in Washington, revealed that one ensign is still missing from the plane's crew. Nine survivors were taken from the sea by U.S. sea-air rescue units.

The American announcement stated that the plane was attacked about 160 kms. east of Vladivostok, and 70 kms. from the Siberian mainland.

Off Nakhodka

The Russian note said that the plane had violated Soviet air space east of the port of Nakhodka, which is about 100 kms. east of Vladivostok. The violation allegedly was committed yesterday by a twin-engined aircraft of the Neptune type.

It claimed that the plane had opened fire on two Soviet fighters who approached it, and who were "forced to open fire in return." After this, the American plane "flew off in the direction of the sea," the note stated.

It protested "this new gross violation of the Soviet frontier by a U.S. military aircraft," and said that it expected the U.S. Government to take measures to prevent future violations.

US Navy Near Quemoy Strengthens Patrols

TAIPEH, Sunday. — The U.S. 7th Fleet today strengthened its patrols near Quemoy Island as the mainland Chinese continued their bombing of the Nationalist outpost, only five kms. from the mainland, for the third day.

Usually reliable Nationalist sources, reporting this, said that the 7th Fleet did not at present include Quemoy and other Nationalist islands off the shore under its protection, unless it received specific orders to do so from Washington.

Military sources here stated today that the intensity of the Communist shelling had decreased considerably after attacks on their shore batteries by Nationalist bombers yesterday. They added that Nationalist planes had attacked the batteries with bombs and rockets again today in a determined effort to knock them out. Three Nationalist fighters were reported to have been shot down in low-level attacks.

The bodies of two American officers killed by Communist shells at Quemoy on Friday have been flown here and identified as those of Lieutenant-Colonel Frank Lynn, 39, and Lieutenant-Colonel Alfred Medengro, 47.

Peking radio broadcast today that a number of seats in the first Chinese National People's Congress had been reserved for "future deputies" from Formosa, which had "not yet been liberated." It quoted an article in today's Peking "Peoples Daily" as saying that the mainland Chinese "would never tolerate the neutralisation" of Formosa.

French EDC Decision Final, Premier Says

PARIS, Sunday (Reuter). — Premier Pierre Mendes-France has appointed M. Joseph Conombo, a 37-year-old independent Deputy, as Secretary of State for the Interior. M. Conombo is Deputy for Upper Volta, French West Africa.

In his "fireside chat" to the nation last night, the Prime Minister said that he considered the National Assembly's rejection of the European Army as final. He appealed to all parties to "get down to work together to solve the problems which remain in a spirit of national conciliation."

He stated that if France's partners were disappointed by the Assembly E.D.C. rejection, "at least we have no longer to suffer the discredit which inevitably surrounds those who dare to say neither yes nor no, and who, in standing still, retard the march of others."

Of his request to the Assembly to fix a deadline for its E.D.C. decision, he said: "Those who attempted nothing for two-and-a-half years cannot reproach me for the result. But why did they not listen to me when I tried with all my strength to effect a compromise?"

New Proposals Would Liberalize Law to Encourage Investments

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Important changes in the Encouragement of Capital Investment Law, designed to offer further inducement to investors, were approved yesterday by the Ministerial Economic Committee.

The draft amendments endorsed yesterday will now go to the Ministerial Legislation Committee and will then be tabled in the Knesset.

The draft as it now stands does not indicate how enterprises approved under the present law will be affected.

One of the chief features of the amendments, which are the product of joint effort by officials of the Ministries of Finance and Commerce and Industry, is to make automatic the privileges which, under the present law, the Minister of Finance is "entitled to grant" to approved enterprises.

Thus, under the amendment, payment of fees payable under the Companies Ordinance may be deferred for five years by any approved enterprise, without specific action by the Minister of Finance. Similarly, immigrant investors will be automatically exempt for seven years from the provisions of the foreign currency regulations, as it concerns their funds abroad.

Another change is that an enterprise approved by the Investment Centre becomes entitled to all the benefits of the Law, without the requirement that these be specified in the agreement.

The present Law sets a 25 per cent income tax ceiling on earnings by individuals from approved enterprises for the first five years, but the company received no special tax benefit.

Under the amendments, the company pays only a 25 per cent corporate profits tax for the seven years from the date of registration as an approved enterprise (or five years from commencement of production), but is wholly exempt from income tax during that period. (However, if the company pays a dividend to individuals, 25 per cent of such dividend is payable as income tax.)

With regard to the transfer abroad of profits, the amendments state that the Minister of Finance "will permit" (instead of, "is entitled to permit") the transfer of 10 per cent of the investment annually.

In addition, approved enterprises which earn added value from exports are entitled to transfer the profits on the added value without any limitation. Where added value was earned, but there was no profit in Israel pounds, the Minister of Finance may still permit the transfer of 10 per cent of the investment annually.

The amendments create a new form of approved enterprise: "approved buildings," which are buildings constructed by persons living abroad and financed completely with foreign currency. Seven per cent of the investment of such buildings may be transferred abroad each year.

The term "raw materials", which may be imported free of duty by approved enterprises, is broadened to include building materials and trucks to be used by the approved enterprise.

Until now, loans were not considered capital, as far as approved enterprises were concerned, but will be under the amendments.

27 Killed in Plane Crash in Ireland

SHANNON, Eire Sunday (Reuter).—Twenty-seven passengers were killed when a Royal Dutch K.L.M. Super-Constellation airliner crashed into the Shannon River early today after taking off from Shannon airport for New York.

The accident came only a fortnight after another K.L.M. airliner had plunged into the North Sea, killing all 21 persons aboard.

Most of the 27 were overcome by petrol fumes and drowned while unconscious, it was stated tonight after K.L.M. officials flew from Holland to investigate the crash.

Twenty-nine survivors, including three women and two children, were saved, while 21 bodies have been recovered so far.

General I. R. Aler, President of K.L.M. announced with tears in his eyes tonight that there was no hope of more survivors. There were people of seven different nationalities aboard, including 23 Americans.

There was no clue as to the cause of the crash and help did not arrive until three hours later, at 7 a.m., General Aler said. The plane crashed two minutes after taking off.

Franco-Tunisian Talks Said 'Comforting'

PARIS, Sunday (Reuter). — M. Christian Fouchet, Minister for Tunisian and Moroccan Affairs, returned here today from talks in Tunis aimed at granting the French Protectorate home rule. He said that the discussions had been "very comforting" because of the "great comprehension" shown on both sides. The talks began yesterday.

M. Fouchet stated that he did not know how long it would take for the negotiations to work out the agreements by which France will grant autonomy. But informed quarters here thought that the work for the talks being done in Paris might be wound up within the week. Earlier estimates had ranged from two to four months.

MOROCCAN SLAIN

RABAT, Sunday (Reuter). — A 20-year-old Moroccan yesterday shot a native police inspector dead at Maragan, police reported here today. The terrorist was arrested by the brother-in-law of his victim.

MRS. WEIZMANN IN USSR

NEW YORK, Sunday (INA). — Mrs. Chaim Weizmann arrived in Moscow last night and was feted at a reception at the Israel Embassy, it was reported from the Russian capital.

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GIRL ASLEEP SHOT BY ACCIDENT

BEERSHEBA, Sunday. — Accidentally firing his pistol while removing the ammunition after a night watch, a youth of the Ashalim group, in Kibbutz Ovulot, early this morning shot and killed a girl, Hava Hamo, who was asleep behind a wooden partition in the same house. He was detained.

Bennike: Ouster Move To Appease Israel

NEW YORK, Sunday. — The charge that the appointment of General Edeson L. M. Burns was a move to conciliate Israel was made by General Vagn Bennike, former U.N. Truce Supervision Chief, on arrival here yesterday by air from Jerusalem.

General Bennike will deliver a verbal report on the Israel-Arab border situation to Mr. Dag Hammarskjoeld, Secretary-General of the U.N.

Questioned at the airport, General Bennike said that he did not know whether any more U.N. officials would be transferred from the "Palestine" area. He added: "Ask Commander Hutchison."

He told the "Davar" correspondent that according to the prevailing situation, there was no possibility whatsoever of establishing peace between Israel and the Arab states. At the present stage it is impossible to bring the two sides to the conference table, he declared, adding that Israel-Arab tension alternately waxed and waned.

He expressed the hope that General Burns would be more successful in lessening tension.

General Bennike is due to return to Jerusalem within a few weeks in order to settle his personal affairs, and will then leave for Denmark with his family in November.

Egypt, Jordan Report 'Full Agreement'

AMMAN, Sunday (Reuter). — Egyptian and Jordan delegates meeting in Amman today and yesterday have reached "full agreement" about foreign policy and military cooperation between the Arab States, it was officially announced here today in a joint statement.

Major Salah Salem, Egyptian Minister of National Guidance, outlined to the delegates and Tewfik Abu al Huda, Jordan Prime Minister, the results of his recent talks with other Arab States, the announcement added.

He also submitted Egypt's views on certain Arab questions and discussed the strengthening of Jordan Home Guards, the Arab League Political Committee meeting on Tuesday and the proposed Arab collective security pact.

Both sides reviewed the subjects to be discussed at a conference of Arab kings and heads of states.

Major Salem and his group visited the Hebron area on Friday and inspected the site of the former Etzion bloc's four settlements halfway between Bethlehem and Hebron.

They are due to leave for Cairo tomorrow.

MAC Meets Today

The Israel-Egyptian Mixed Armistice Commission is to meet at Nitzana tomorrow to discuss an Egyptian complaint on an alleged Israel patrol raid last Thursday, NEARS reports. There were no Egyptian casualties in the incident, further details of which are not available, it added.

No Mid-East Items On UN Assembly's Agenda

UNITED NATIONS, Sunday, (INA). — Sixty-seven debate items are to take up the 9th session of the General Assembly, opening on September 21, according to the agenda issued yesterday.

The agenda includes major international problems — Korea, control of atomic energy, disarmament, Indo-China, colonial problems, admission of new members — but not one item about the Middle East, the Arabs, Suez, or Israel.

The eighth session, in recess since last December 8, will be formally closed on the afternoon of September 20.

Ex-King Peter Predicts 'Liberation' of Yugoslavia

LEICESTER, Sunday (Reuter). — Ex-King Peter of Yugoslavia told more than 2,500 Serbians here today that "we have waited a long time for the liberation, but we shall not have to wait much longer."

He advised his audience, who had come from all over Britain and France for his 21st birthday celebrations, that they should show the free world what Communism really meant to their people. The former King flew in from Paris last night.

Tito, Bayar View Military Parade

BELGRADE, Sunday (Reuter). —President Tito of Yugoslavia and President Celal Bayar of Turkey, who is on a state visit attended a military parade by the Belgrade garrison today.

In a fly-past, Yugoslav Air Force aircraft taking part included Thunderjets. One of the formations was in the shape of a "T" on another in a "I" — for Yugoslavia and Turkey.

Cypriot Socialists Seek Labour Party Backing

CYPRUS, Sunday (Reuter). — The Cyprus Socialist Party, answering a British Labour Party questionnaire, has sent to London a 600-word letter saying that it looks to the British party to "limit slavery, oppression and tyranny" on the island.

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Social & Personal

Mr. Y. Herzog, who served as Acting Director of the U.S. Division of the Foreign Ministry, has been appointed Director of the Division. Mr. Herzog will continue to act as Adviser to the Foreign Ministry on Jerusalem Affairs.

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Mr. Andrew Gordon, State Senator of Pennsylvania, accompanied by Mr. Julius Jarcho, Executive Director of Materials for Israel, New York, lunched with Mr. Meyer Weisgal and other members of the scientific and administrative staff at the Weizmann Institute of Science on Friday, and later toured the premises.

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Dr. Louis Guttman, Director of the Institute of Applied Social Research, has been appointed Guest Professor in the Department of Statistics of the Eliezer Kaplan School of Economics and Social Sciences — the Hebrew University, for the academic year 1954/55. His subject will be "Research Methods in Social Sciences".

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Mr. Jeruham Ben-Dror has resumed his duties as Assistant Registrar of Cooperative Societies at the Ministry of Labour after return from an extended study and lecture tour in Britain at the invitation of the British Council.

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Dr. Salo Finkelstein, world famous calculating expert, will give a lecture-demonstration on "Mental Efficiency in Calculation" at 9 o'clock tonight, in the Y.M.C.A. Auditorium, Jerusalem.

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DEPARTURES: Aluf Dan Tolkowsky, O.C. Air Force, to attend the British Aviation Show at Farnborough at the invitation of the Association of British Aircraft Manufacturers; Mr. I. Warshavsky, of Ampal, returning home after a brief visit; and a 12-member Bond Drive delegation from the U.S. led by Mr. Philip Zinman, of Camden, New Jersey, returning after a tour (by El Al). Mr. Raphael Aria, of La Scala Opera, returning to Milan after a private visit to his family here (L.A.I.).

IL.220,000 in Stipends Given by University

The Hebrew University gave IL.220,000 in scholarships and remission of fees during the last academic year, it has been announced. In addition, some IL.50,000 in scholarships was awarded by outside institutions, mainly on the recommendation of the University.

The Stipends Fund of the University awarded IL.38,000 in remission of fees to 700 students during the year, each benefiting to the extent of 55 per cent of the tuition fee. In addition, there were 100 students (University employees or children of employees) who paid no fees whatsoever. IL.8,200 in loans to 80 students were granted during the year.

The major part of the money awarded as scholarships and fellowships for further study at home and abroad was from foreign contributions.

Thirty-five students at the Technion have received loans from the Special Students' Loan Fund established at the Institute by the Lemberg Foundation during the past academic year, it was announced in Haifa.

The Fund was set up following the visit to the Technion of Mr. Samuel Lemberg, a prominent New York real estate agent.

The total amount of loans extended was IL.3,235. Individual loans ranged from IL.35 to IL.150.

The Lemberg Scholarship Fund has been in operation in a number of colleges and universities in the U.S. for the past ten years.

JACOB PINS EXHIBITS AT SMITHSONIAN

An exhibition of woodcuts by Mr. Jacob Pins of Jerusalem is to be opened today in the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C. and will remain on show until October 3.

Where to go

JERUSALEM

★ Exhibitions:—
Paintings, Sculpture and Applied Art of Rabeni, Lourie, and Bezalel Schatz, and gallery of Jerusalem Artists, Jerusalem Artists' House, 9-1, 10-1 (also tomorrow).
"Conquest of the Desert" permanent exhibition at the former Israel pavilion of the International "Conquest of the Desert" exhibition, 10-1, 4-6 p.m.
Department of Antiquities, Special exhibition: Excavation of a Canaanite Temple on the seashore of Maharlya (XVIIth-XVIth centuries B.C.E.), 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech. Open 9-1, 4-6 p.m.
★ Tours:—
Hebrew University conducted tour, new Administration Building, King George Ave., opposite Terra Sancta, 10 a.m.
★ Film Shows:—
Keren Hayesod, for tourists and visitors, 11.30 a.m.

TEL AVIV

★ Entertainment:—
After the show at "Leviathan," Oriental Restaurant, 6 Allenby Rd., open till 3 a.m.
★ Theatre:—
Chamber Theatre, "Pygmalion," Mograbi, 8.30 p.m.
★ Exhibitions:—
Paintings by Mane Katz, also "Modern French Art", exhibition of colour reproductions, Museum, 10-1, 4-7 p.m.

HAIFA

★ Exhibitions:—
Modern Mexican Graphic — Municipal Museum of Modern Art—Town Hall— 10-1, 4-6.

RAMAT GAN

★ Theatre:—
Do-Re-Mi, "Hiya, The Czardas Princess," Bauer Hall, 8.30 p.m.

HERZLIA

★ Theatre:—
Habimah, "The Dybbuk," 8.30 p.m.

Kefauver Leaves After 36 Hour Visit

LYDDA AIRPORT, Sunday. — "The Democratic Party in the U.S. is in favour of financial, rather than military assistance," Senator Estes Kefauver stated here this morning, in answer to a question concerning the differences of approach between the Democratic Party, at present in opposition, and the Republican Party, on the issue of the arming of the Arab States.

The Senator, accompanied by his wife, left this morning by Cyprus Airways for Nicosia on his way to Cairo, after a 36-hour visit.

Mr. Kefauver said that he understood, and joined with Israel leaders, in their fears arising out of the arming of the Arabs who, he knew from past experience, were not always to be trusted as allies. In general, American foreign policy was bi-partisan, but he hinted that on this score there were differences of approach. He had discussed security questions during his brief talks with the Prime Minister and other Government leaders yesterday.

He thought that the Suez Canal should be absolutely free for the use of shipping of all nations, even after evacuation by the British.

Mr. Kefauver said that although he himself had taken no steps towards it, if he were offered the opportunity of presenting himself as U.S. Presidential candidate in the next elections, he would not refuse.

He recorded a brief interview with Kol Yisrael before leaving early this morning, after having taken an unscheduled trip around Jaffa in the early hours of this morning, when his plane departed later than he had expected.

Mr. Kefauver denied reports that the U.S. delegation to the Inter-Parliamentary Conference had upheld the Lebanese proposal to hold the next conference in Beirut, but thought that an individual member of the delegation might have expressed such an opinion.

Mr. and Mrs. Kefauver were seen off by Mr. Philip P. Williams, First Secretary at the U.S. Embassy, and Mrs. Williams.

4X4 Calls World From Ashkelon

Jerusalem Post Reporter

ASHKELON, Sunday. — "4x4 calling Costa Rica, 4x4 calling Ceylon." The Israel Amateur Radio Club spent the week-end here camped on the beach, transmitting with an apparatus built by one of their Tel Aviv members, and receiving morse messages pipped from fellow radio "hams" all over the other.

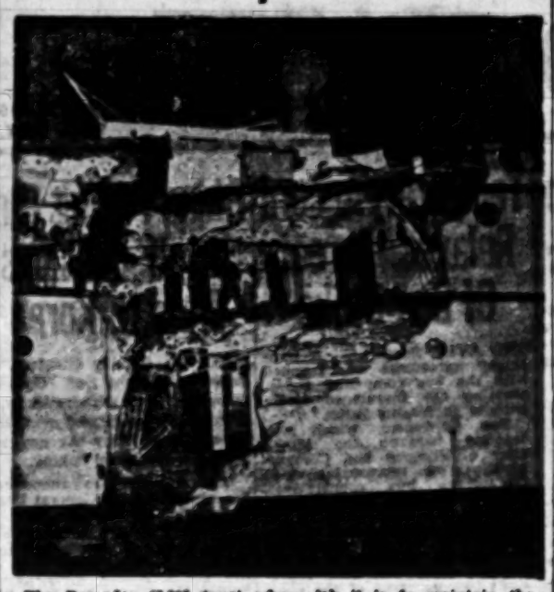
Each certified "ham" of the Israel Club (whose international code-signed is 4x4) bore a two-letter code name on his shirt. The Club's President, 4x4BX, is Shlomo Minzari, of Lydda Airport. He has brought glory to the Israel Club, having won contests and certificates for his ability in interception and transmission.

Another champion, 4x4RE, Egon Rosenthal, of Haifa, also came to show off his prowess at the third annual field-day. Of the Club's 200 members, 40 enthusiasts rigged themselves tents and a lofty antenna in Ashkelon.

Only half the members have qualified in examinations held by the Israel Post Office. Without a good knowledge of telecommunications, an amateur cannot be awarded a station code-signal which distinguishes his messages.

This year the Club opened club centres in Tel Aviv, Haifa and Tiberias. Short-wave contact is maintained with amateurs everywhere, except Soviet Russia, the Arab States and Germany. The Club has tried to get permission from the Israel authorities to link up with German amateur radio fans, on grounds that this is a sport without political implications.

US 'Voice' Ship Makes News



The Recorder (3,300 tons) whose job it is to maintain the cables along which news is flashed round the world, became news herself, when she was holed after coming into collision with the Danish motor vessel Uruguay (4,635 tons). The ships collided during a fog in the Thames Estuary. This Express photo shows the 30 foot-long jagged V-shaped gash in the Recorder's starboard quarter. The Uruguay, slightly damaged, went on her way seaward.

20 Squatter Families To Be Evicted

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The police have issued to the Jerusalem Municipality an eviction order against 20 families who have been "squatting" in the class-rooms of four local schools ever since they abandoned their homes during the Arab Legion shooting two months ago.

All the families live near the Old City wall, in the immediate line of fire when trouble flares up. They were given emergency shelter when Jerusalem came under fire, but refused to budge afterwards despite visits from the police. Families whose houses were requisitioned as unsafe for civilian occupation were offered alternative dwellings in Malha, but they would not quit the schools. With three days left till the new term opens the Municipality decided to end the "squat".

Jerusalem children will spend next term in more crowded classrooms than last year, due to municipal economies. About 2,600 first graders will go to lessons for the first time, while 1,400 children finished elementary school last year. The extra pupils are to be fitted into existing classes. The Boukharian school has been closed down for reasons of economy, and its four classes merged with other schools. Most Jerusalem classrooms are small and cramped anyway, compared with elsewhere, because the schools are housed in converted buildings with dark, unsuitable, rooms.

US Police Guard Storm Areas

KINGSTON, Rhodes Island, Sunday (Reuter). — Police here were given orders to shoot anyone refusing to halt in the hurricane-damaged areas of the town. This is the latest bid by the police to prevent looting in storm-wrecked coastal areas as the weekend brought an influx of visitors into resorts.

The hurricane hit the north-eastern Atlantic seaboard on Tuesday. Two insurance organisations have estimated that claims on insured buildings would amount to about $100m.

Horowitz Off to US For Bank Parley

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Mr. David Horowitz, Governor-Designate of the Bank of Israel, left yesterday for the U.S. where he is to attend the assembly of the Board of Governors of the World Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Monetary Fund, due to begin in Washington on September 22.

Following the granting of membership in July, this will be the first time that Israel has been represented.

Each of the 55 member-states has one representative but voting is according to the number of shares held. Israel is to subscribe a total of $4.5m. to each body. Of the amount subscribed to the Fund, $1m. was in foreign currency and the rest is to be paid in local currency.

The $4.5m. subscribed to the World Bank purchased 45 shares. All except for two per cent were purchaseable in local currency.

Member states are entitled to purchase with their own currency twice the amount in foreign currencies of their holdings in the Fund, and are also able to arrange long-term loans. The Fund furnishes expert technicians to advise and assist members in solving their economic problems.

Previous to the assembly meetings, which are expected to last ten days, Mr. Horowitz will appear in New York, Boston and Canada on behalf of the State of Israel Bond Drive.

TWO NEW VOLUMES

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Two new books written by local journalists were introduced to the public at a press conference here this morning.

They are "Love Is Stronger Than Death," an anthology of love stories and poems of many nations and of all times, together with a large number of reproductions of famous paintings on the subject of love, compiled by Mr. Y. Levanon; and a new Hebrew dictionary of foreign words and phrases now in use in Hebrew, compiled by Mr. Dan Pines. The dictionary contains some 12,000 terms.

Both books were published by Amihai.

LEON ISAACS FUNERAL

The burial of Leon Isaacs, whose coffin was brought from Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, took place at the Har Hamenuhot cemetery in Jerusalem on Thursday. The Sephardi Community made the necessary arrangements for the funeral. Among the mourners were members of the Board of the Misgav Ladach Hospital which Isaacs helped to support.

Mr. E. Eliachar, M.K., and Mr. Isaac Molho, President of the Misgav Ladach Hospital Board, eulogised the deceased at the Al Hamishmar Synagogue.

League Political Unit Meets Tomorrow

CAIRO, Sunday. — The Political Committee of the Arab League will meet here on Tuesday under the shadow of the dispute between the Secretary and his deputy. Meanwhile most "critical" subjects have been removed from the agenda.

The Assistant Secretary-General of the League, Ahmad Shukeiry, said that the question of the reorganization of the League had been dropped from the agenda, and will not be brought up until completion of the current series of visits to various Arab countries of Major Salah Salem, Minister of National Guidance.

The League's Secretary-General, Abdul Khalek Hassuna, announced he is preparing a White Book revealing details of his dispute with Shukeiry, and charging the latter with being disloyal to, and criticizing, the League.

Former reports said Arab Premiers and Foreign Ministers would participate in the meeting, but official sources revealed last night that only the diplomatic envoys stationed in Cairo will attend.

The revised agenda published last night reveals that items such as the Arab attitude to defence pacts and to the U.S. arms grants, as well as the delicate issue of disputes within the Arab League, have been struck off from the subjects scheduled for discussion.

The new agenda will include: 1. — The Jordan proposal for holding a Moslem Conference in the Old City; 2. — Discussion of the Indonesia-Holland dispute; 3. — The UNRWA proposal for resettlement of Arab refugees in Libya; and 4. — The Arab League's stand on questions affecting the Arab nations which are scheduled to come up before the U.N. General Assembly.

(ANA, NEA&BS)

A-Sha'ab to Stand

The A-Sha'ab Party has finally decided to participate in the forthcoming Syrian elections on September 20, the Arab News Agency reported yesterday.

This step was said to have been taken following repeated warnings by former President Shukry Kuwatli that Syria would be gravely endangered unless all parties participated in the elections, thus displaying "political maturity."

A committee, comprising members of the four major parties and a number of independent candidates, was formed in Damascus in order to establish a firm, united front of all major groups in preparation for the elections.

64 Communists Held in Greece

ATHENS, Sunday (Reuter). — General Vassili Verachnos, Under-Secretary of the Ministry of Interior, said yesterday that among the 64 members of the underground Communist Party whose arrest was announced earlier yesterday, were six leaders, who underwent a course in Moscow in espionage, sabotage and transmission of information.

Bulgarian officers then helped them to cross the Greek frontier, he said.

They had served with General Markos, Greek Communist resistance leader, who played a big part in the Greek civil war which broke out in December, 1947 when Markos proclaimed himself head of the Provisional Democratic Government of Greece.

But in February, 1949, the Greek Communist Party Central Committee announced his dismissal. After that his whereabouts were a mystery. Some reports said he had been taken to Moscow.

Integration of African Settlers Discussed

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Problems relating to the integration of middle-class settlers from North Africa, who have recently shown a desire to come to Israel, were discussed at a meeting called here last week by Mr. Meir Grossman, head of the Jewish Agency's Economic Department, and attended by representatives of middle-class settlement organisations, including the Agency's special department for this purpose, the Farmers Federation, the Agricultural Council, Yakhin-Hakal, Rassco and Mehadrin.

The meeting decided that only newcomers with at least IL.5,000 in capital should be eligible for special "middle-class settlement."

Trio Lead First Division Race

By AKIVA KALMAN

Three teams now lead the honours race in the First Division of the English Football League, following yesterday's games. Still top are Everton, who pulled off a fine performance by defeating Burnley, a side with one of the best defences in the game, 3-0 on their own ground.

The other two are the famous sides of Sunderland and Manchester United, who both registered home victories, the former by 2-0 against Sheffield on Wednesday and the United with a 3-1 score over London's Charlton Athletic. The three teams have eight points each.

Arsenal moved out of the doldrums, reminiscent of their last season's disastrous start, with a 2-0 win at Highbury over their old rivals and neighbours, Tottenham Hotspur. West Bromwich Albion also featured among the successful away sides with a 2-1 win against Sheffield United.

Derby, Leeds Beaten

In the Second Division, Bristol Rovers slammed Derby County to the tune of 4-1 in a game at Bristol, while Bury, entertaining Leeds United, won by 5-3. Two away wins by the same score, 2-1, came the way of West Ham United and Doncaster Rovers, who won at Liverpool and Plymouth respectively.

There was some high scoring in the Scottish League Cup Division A matches, with the honour going to Partick Thistle, who swamped Stirling Albion to the tune of 9-1. Other home winners were Aberdeen, 5-1 over East Fife; Falkirk, 4-0 over Dundee United, and Raith Rovers, 3-0 against Motherwell. Hibernian and Rangers kept up the honour of the away sides, the former with a smashing 5-3 defeat of Queen of the South, and the latter 2-1 at Clyde.

RESULTS: **English League: Div. 1:** Arsenal 2, Tottenham 0; Aston V. 1, Portsm'th 0; Burnley 6, Everton 3; Chelsea 1, Cardiff 1; Huddersf'd 3, Bolton W. 0; Lois. C. 0, Man. C. 2; Man. U. 3, Charlton 1; Preston 1, Newcastle 3; Sheff. U. 1, West Brom. 3; Sunderl'd 2, Sheff. W. 0; Wolves 1, Blackpool 0. **Div. II:** Brist. R. 4, Derby 1; Bury 5, Leeds 3; Hull 4, Ipswich 3; Lincoln 2, Notts. F. 1; Liverpool 1, West Ham 2; Luton 1, Birm'gham 0; Notts C. 3, Blackburn 1; Plym'th 1, Doncaster 2; Rotherham 3, Middlesbro' 0; Stoke 0, Port V. 0; Swansea 2, Fulham 2. **SCOTTISH LEAGUE CUP: Div. A:** Aberdeen 5, E. Fife 1; Clyde 1, Rangers 2; Falkirk 4, Dundee 0; Hearts 3, Celtic 2; Partick 9, Stirling 1; Qu.o' S'th 3, Hibs. 0; Raith 3, Motherwell 0; St. Mirren 3, Kilmarnock 2.

Oved Spurns Saddler Sparring Offer

David Oved, Maccabian boxing champion who is known in the American prize-fight ring as the "Star of Israel," was offered a training assignment with Sandy Saddler, the world feather-weight champion, fresh from a boxing win in Caracas, Venezuela.

Saddler now must defend his title against a worthy opponent approved by the National Boxing Association, under its ruling that a champion must defend his crown against a top opponent at least once every six months.

Oved's handlers feel he will be belittling himself by accepting a position as a sparring partner with anyone. He has therefore refused to accept a sparring partner's berth with Paddy De Marco, who defends his lightweight crown against Jimmy Carter on September 22. That fight, however, is taking place in San Francisco, some 3,300 miles away from Oved's temporary home in Jamaica, Long Island. *B. A.*

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Govt. Loans		
3% 1955 (reg.)	101½	—
3% 1956 (reg.)	100	—
3% 1958 (reg.)	100½	—
Pop. Loans		
1949/50 (Lt. 10)	102½	—
1950/5* (Lt. 10)	99½	—
3½% Treas Bonds	152(x)	—1(x)
3½% War Loan 54/59	98	—
3½% Govt Bonds large	97½	+½
Pal. Bearer Bd.		
Ser. 1	73	—
Ser. 2	73½	—
Ser. 3	73½	—
S. Léumi Ord sh.	200	—
A.-P. B. Invest.		
4% Debs 50/70	97½	—
4½% Pref sh.	100	—
Ord sh "B"	111½	—
Gazit Ord. sh "B"	107½	—
Gen. Mortg Bk.		
4% Debs 49/69	97½	—
6% Pref. sh.	72½	—
Bisur 4% Debs 46/59	95	—
4½% Debs 52/68 reg.	72½	—
Pass Debs. 4% 42/62	77	—
P.L.D.C. Ord sh reg.	153½	—
5% Debs	77½	—½
Afr. Pal Inv. Ord sh.	109	—4
Rassco, 6% Debs 58/63	68	—
6% Pref (3rd sh)	92½	+½
Pal. Potash 6% Pref sh	97½	—½
"A" Ord. sh	197	—4
Pal. Elec. O. d. sh (1 £s.)	611	—7
Pal. Elec Ord sh (1s.)	487	+3
Jerus. Electric (1£s.)	3'4	+1
Mekoroth Pref sh	70½	—
Ata 6% "C" Pref sh.	100½	—
Ord. "C" sh	138½	—1
6-8% Conv. Debs.	101½	—
"Kardaneh" Ord "B" sh	144	—1
Ord. "C" sh	147½	—1
7% Conv. Debs. 52/68	110½	—
Pal Brewery 6% conv.	102½	—
Assia-Raj. "B" sh.	158½	—1
"Tera" Ord. sh.	109(x)	+2½
Nesher 6% Debs Ser.A.	113	—
6% Debs. Ser B	132	—2
Pal. Cold St. 7% Debs.	143½	+½
Ord Sh. Reg.	217½	+½
Ledeia 4½% Pref sh.	64½	—
Pal. Constr. Tr pref.	92a)	—

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JERUSALEM CINEMAS

At 3.30, 7.15 & 9.15 p.m.

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TASS Raps British Naval Estimate

MOSCOW, Sunday (UP). — The Soviet news agency, TASS, said last night that the statement released by the British Admiralty about the size of the Soviet Navy "cited unfounded data" and advocated a "continuation of the arms race."

The agency added that the statement contained groundless "allocations about the building plans of the Soviet naval forces, their numerical strength and such-like."

On August 28, the British Admiralty reported that Russia was putting "a very considerable effort" into building up her Navy. The U.S. Navy estimated today that Russia will supplant the U.S. as the world's leading naval power in 10 years at the present rate of Soviet expansion. The Admiralty said that the Soviets spend about one-fifth of their defence budget on the Navy.

TASS charged that the Admiralty statement served as the cause of a clamour raised in the British press and radio. "It is characteristic that the campaign is accompanied by demands for increased allocations for the British Navy," the agency continued.

The American statement released in Washington pointed out that Russia, which 10 years ago ranked seventh, now has the second largest fleet, surpassed only by the U.S. In manpower, it was stated, the Russian Navy is already ahead of the U.S.

In London, a leading British aircraft designer, Mr. Kenneth Gatland, asserted that Russia has rockets that could strike against the West with enough accuracy to make the tactical use of atomic warheads entirely practicable.

Russians Free Matzot Baker After 7 Years' Prison

NEW YORK, Sunday (INA). — Mrs. Maria Jacobi, who was abducted by the Russians in Berlin in March, 1947, arrived here on Thursday, after having spent a number of years at hard labour in 13 different slave camps for the "crime" of making matzot (unleavened bread). She was greeted in the offices of HIAS by her son, Helmuth, 30, who came from Atlanta, Georgia, to greet her. Her husband and her daughter, who had given up the search for her, came to the U.S. with her son in 1948 and now are also living in Atlanta.

Mrs. Jacobi told how she was abducted by the Communist secret police while on a shopping trip in Berlin's Russian sector. A few days later, she was sentenced, without trial, to ten years hard labour on charges of being a spy for the U.S.

She and her husband had run a bakery in the American sector where they produced matzot for Passover. The distribution of the matzot by the Joint Distribution Committee in the Eastern sector had caused suspicion, Mrs. Jacobi said, and she and her husband were put on the Communist list of suspects.

ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 491 M.; HAIFA: 249 M.; TEL AVIV: 33.1, 41.0 & 293 M.

FIRST PROGRAMME
News: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 1.30, 6.00, 8.15, 9.30 and 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 8 a.m., 2.15 & 6.30 p.m. 7.30 a.m. Service. 6.25 Exercises. 6.40 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Medley (R). 8.30 Close Down. 12.00 M. Music of Moods. 12.30 Concert Hall: Overture "The Magic of Orintth" (Berlioz); Cello Concerto No. 1 (Saint-Saens); Symphony No. 41 "Jupiter" (Mozart). 1.50 "The Voice of the Violin" (R). 2.00 Close Down.
4.00 p.m. Stamps (R). 4.30 Notes for Scripture Reading. 4.45 Vocal Recital: Ada Schorr. 5.10 Child's Corner. 5.30 Children's Hour. 7.00 Opera (R). 7.45 Talk. 8.00 Youth Programme. 8.34 Bible Reading. 8.40 Answer to the Citizen. 9.05 Curtain Up. 9.50 Light Music (R). "Two Sonatas" presented by Josef Kosmansky, Evi Haval & Nicolo Lustig: Works by Klezaki & Kreisler. 10.50 Nocturne. 11.05 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
490, 294, 238, 49.9 M.
English News: 1.45 p.m., 10.15 p.m. French: News: 2.00 p.m.
IMMIGRANTS HOUR (33.5, 31.0 & 49 M.): 7.15 p.m. Programme for Yemenites. French: 7.30 p.m. Ladino: 8.00 p.m. Yiddish: 8.45 p.m.
KOL ZION LAGOLA: (33.5 M.): 12.00 Midnight. News. Newsreel. 00.30 The Israel Song.
ARMY PROGRAMME (66.6, 246, 238 & 205 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Phantasy. 7.00 Requests. 7.30 Among the Plays. 8.00 Salad Orchestra. 8.30 News. 8.40 Concert: Piano Concerto No. 1 (Mendelssohn); Symphony No. 3 (Schumann). 10.00 Close Down.
B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS: (34.10, 34.32, 31.13 & 49.50 M.): 7.30-8.00 p.m. News: News Talk: Echoes from the world.
VOICE OF AMERICA: English Broadcasts: (16.8, 19.6, 31.6 M.): 4.00-4.30 p.m. Repeated at 8.00-8.30 p.m. on 31.6 & 31.3 M.

Today's Post Bag

THE WEATHER

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Mt. Canaan	33	15	21	21
Tiberias	37	23	35	35
Haifa Port	34	22	27	27
Natanya	33	22	27	27
Tel Aviv Port	37	23	31	31
Lydda Airport	39	19	31	31
Jerusalem	30	15	29	27
Beersheba	44	16	31	32
Eilat	33	24	36	36

*A) Humidity at 1 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maxim. yesterday D) Maximum temp. expected today

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A STORM delayed the arrival of the s.s. Artza which was due in Haifa this afternoon. The ship is now expected to berth tomorrow morning.

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MORE THAN 300 men joined the ranks of the unemployed in Migdal Ashkelon this week-end, with the ending of the fruit-picking season on Friday on land administered by Mata'el Ha'uma. Some 600 jobless are now registered with the local Labour Exchange.

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SOME 42 TEACHERS from North Africa and Turkey, who participated in a summer course sponsored by the Department of Torah Education in the Diaspora of the Jewish Agency, have returned to their countries. Eight other teachers from Morocco and Tunis have left following a year of advanced study under the auspices of the Department.

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A RECORDED REPORT on young people who have left their villages to become leaders in new immigrant colonies in the Negev, will be broadcast over Kol Yisrael's "Youth Speaks" programme at 8 o'clock this evening.

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HUMAN BONES, rubber-soled shoes, rags, and a shirt with an illegible Arab inscription were found in the vicinity of Brur Hayil in the northern Negev on Friday night.

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SHLOMO LEVY, 19, of Zanoah settlement in the Jerusalem Corridor, was fined IL.5 yesterday by the Jerusalem Magistrate's Court for not having exercised sufficient care in preventing his dog from injuring another person. The youth admitted that his dog had bitten a five-year-old boy, but pleaded that his younger brother had released the dog.

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SIX MEN were fined various sums in the Jerusalem Magistrate's Court yesterday for having stolen 4,500 kilograms of scrap iron from abandoned houses in Zecharia village near Beit Shemesh in the Jerusalem Corridor. The houses are the property of the Development Authority.

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THE JERUSALEM MUNICIPALITY has announced that all dog owners are required to bring their animals for rabies vaccination to the Municipal Sanitary Station, entrance to the Communa quarter near Schneller, today or on Tuesday, between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Vaccination is compulsory for all dogs except those already inoculated at an age exceeding six months.

Cultural Links With South America

Three cultural agreements which have been concluded between Israel and Argentina, Uruguay and Chile will contribute greatly to consolidating the friendly relations between the State and the countries of Latin America, it was announced yesterday.

The agreement with Argentina was signed in July 1953 and was approved by the Argentine parliament to which it was sent for ratification by President Peron on August 30.

The accord with Uruguay, which was signed in April last year, specifies particularly that with the establishment of Israel a cultural centre has been revived with which the people of Uruguay have important links.

The pact with Chile also provides for a strengthening of relations and an increased exchange of cultural information between the two countries.

VEGETABLE PRICES

HAIFA, Sunday. — Wholesale vegetable prices today were:— (In kg.) Tomatoes — 220 pr.; cucumbers — 350 pr.; carrots — 450 pr.; dry onions — 400 pr.; green and yellow beans — 800 pr.; Muscat, Alexandroni and Tamar grapes — 650 pr. Retail prices are 25-30 per cent higher.

RATION NEWS

JERUSALEM: Eggs: 2. Meat 11, temp. 2. Coffee: 50 gms. on Dalet and Heh cards Lamed 27, temp. 25. Tea: 50 gms. on Dalet and Heh cards, 100 gms. on Gimel cards, Lamed 5, temp. 26.

TEL AVIV AND SOUTHERN DISTRICT: Sugar: 1,000 gms., 500 gms. additional for Aleph cards, Mem 7, temp. 2. Coffee: 50 gms. Dalet and Heh cards, Lamed 27, temp. 25. Margarine: 900 gms. Mem 9 temp. 9.

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on the untimely death of his
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THE BEREAVED FAMILY

Strike at Shell Ends First Week; Cars Rationed Gas in Jerusalem

Jerusalem Post Staff

HAIFA Sunday. — No progress is reported in the negotiations to end the Shell workers' strike, now in its sixth day. The Shell management, the Labour Committee and the Labour Council Secretary here met during the morning and again in the afternoon, but it appears that the negotiators were no nearer agreement when the meeting ended than when it began.

The Labour Council, whose Secretary felt that their point of view had not been adequately explained to the public published a statement this evening in which it listed all the 20 demands of the Shell workers, together with a reply from the Company's management.

"All demands presented to the Company are within the established trade union policy of the Histadrut, and they have been accepted by industry throughout the country," the Council spokesman said here this evening.

"The Council thinks that the Shell Company should not be an exception to the general practice."

The three main points in dispute are the deductions of Labour Exchange contributions from unorganized workers, the establishment of a pensions fund and national insurance payments.

This evening, Shell strikers and sympathizers held a meeting at the Oranim Club where Labour Council Secretary, Mr. Y. Almogi, charged the Shell management with prevarication.

"If the Shell Company had written a letter saying that of the 20 demands presented by the workers 19 had been agreed by them, we should have called off the strike," he said. But the management still refused to set up a pension fund and to pay its share to the National Insurance scheme.

The Council had suggested the establishment of "a temporary provisional reserve under these two headings, a mere bookkeeping device as a token of the Company's acceptance of the two demands pending final settlement, but the proposal had been turned down.

Of the 20 demands, the Council listed ten as having been refused by the Company. Apart from the three main issues, these are: the extension of annual leave for monthly workers; 24 days of paid sick leave instead of 18; travel allowance; shoes for oil installation workers; collective deduction of Histadrut dues from both employees and workers who are members of the Histadrut; a revision of regulations concerning dismissals; and the transfer of certain workers to monthly pay.

The Council also emphatically denied that the management had agreed to all demands except the deductions of the Labour Exchange tax from the unorganized workers.

Long queues of trucks and cars stood fender to fender today outside the only two gasoline-pumps in Jerusalem unaffected by the week-old strike of "Shell" employees.

The Socony Vacuum service station near the railway station doled out 20 litres per customer on Friday, but was more liberal with fresh supplies after the weekend. Several hours' wait in line with some twenty fretful motorists didn't improve tempers in the garage—jerry-cans nearly became weapons in the heat of arguments with queue-crashers.

The traffic-police had a busy time marshalling a dozen cars outside the petrol-pump near the Ford Garage in city's centre — a "genuine antique" hand-operated pump. Many drivers lugged cans for their ration, and parked their cars out of the police eye.

Jerusalem's urban taxi-service "Ayala" has been paralysed since Friday: a couple of taxis are in use, instead of 18. Some Jerusalem taxis joined the inter-urban companies on a one-trip basis, just to fill their tanks in Tel Aviv. Other drivers borrowed gasoline from their luckier comrades on the inter-urban routes.

Booklet Makes Tax Deduction Easy

A 31-page booklet to aid taxpayers calculate the amount of Income Tax they are required to pay according to the Law passed in the Knesset three weeks ago, has been published by the Income Tax Department of the Ministry of Finance.

The booklet, which is being distributed together with "Form A" to all employers and self-employed persons, contains tables which give at a glance the amount of the cost-of-living allowances to be deducted from the gross income and others listing the resultant gross taxable income.

The new scales average a 20 per cent reduction on the amount of tax payable before the introduction of the Law.

The cost-of-living allowances, based on the sum of the C-o-L allowances which were exempt from tax from time to time during the year ending March 31, 1954, are given in table "A" of the booklet.

Since the introduction of the Law, these have also been applied to self-employed persons. However, only self-employed tax-payers earning up to IL.2,400 get the full C-o-L allowance to which an employee is entitled.

Those earning from IL.2,400 to IL.3,000, must reduce the allowance by 400 pruta for every pound, so that no allowance whatsoever is granted to a IL.3,000-a-year man.

A self-employed person who derives his income from his employment and from other sources will in no case receive a smaller C-o-L allowance than would be due to him on his earned income.

The principle involved in estimating the family and personal allowances is that they are deducted from gross taxable income and not from gross income.

The allowances are: the basic credit allowance of IL.120; IL.48 allowance for a wife; IL.48 allowance for each child; 10 per cent of the gross tax for social payments, and an employee's allowance of 10 per cent of the gross tax. The latter is not deductable from the gross tax of self-employed persons, since they are assumed to have deducted their expenses in arriving at their gross income.

COTTON IN SHARON SAID A SUCCESS

KFAR SABA, Sunday.— Cotton-picking on the 100 dunams sown by Hakal was started here today by some 80 workers.

The quality of the crop is above expectations and just as good as in the other regions of the country, Mr. Eliyahu Mazurski, manager of the Hakal branch here, said. He explained that the unexpected success was due to the fertility of the land.

Barclays Recognizes Married Women

TEL AVIV, Sunday.— Barclays Bank here today accepted the demand of the employees' union to retain in full service its married women clerks.

According to a bank rule, female employees who marry, automatically cease to be considered as fully fledged clerks, and are relegated to the status of temporary employees. The issue was raised last week, and the local Labour Council threatened a strike if the bank failed to adopt the rule common in Israel which does not disclose discriminate against married women.

Aero Club Activities Severely Restricted

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Most of the activities of the Israel Aero Club have been stopped following a letter sent out by the Civil Aviation Department on August 1, soon after the Ma'agan crash, limiting all club flights to training within the airport limits.

The Club states that this paralyzes private civilian flying, as no licences can be renewed or issued. The Club is allowed to operate only from the Tel Aviv and Haifa airfields, and only direct flights can be made between those two bases.

Another letter from the Civil Aviation Department, dated August 30, restricts flying south of Tel Aviv down to Nahal Rubin to three miles out to sea at a height of 2,000 ft. This latter appears to be completely unclear, as no flights are authorized in that direction, and to Club circles it does not appear to increase safety, the intended aim of the regulation, but to increase the hazards of flight. Under these new regulations, if the engine fails, the pilot would not be able to reach the coast for a safe forced landing.

A new regulation to be enforced shortly changes the direction of aircraft circuits over Tel Aviv, and diverts them out over the sea and the Reading Power Station with its tall chimney and pylons.

Under present aviation law, the Ministry of Communications is empowered to stop flying activities while an investigation into an accident is in progress.

Avoids Child, Truck Overturns; 4 Hurt

HAIFA, Sunday. — Trying to avoid hitting a child who suddenly crossed the road, Y. Stanitzky, 30, drove his truck off the highway near Kiryat Frostig (Bayside area) at 1 p.m. yesterday.

Awhad Ahmad, 24, and Saleh Mahmoud, 26, were seriously, but not critically injured when the truck overturned, and were hospitalised. Yosef Stanitzki, 8, the driver's cousin, and Karol Salomon, 24, were slightly hurt.

Bus Mechanic Held In Children's Death

HAIFA, Sunday. — Heinrich Schechter, a mechanic at the Eshed garage in the Bayside area, was remanded for 10 days here today when the Acre traffic police charged him with having carelessly repaired the bus he was driving, one wheel of which broke loose, killing two children and injuring a third, at the Acre bus station on Thursday morning.

RUHAMA RUBINOVITZ

TEL AVIV, Sunday.—The burial of Mrs. Ruhama Rubinovitz, wife of Mr. Yisrael Rubinovitz, manager of "Haboker," took place at the Givat Shaul cemetery today. She died yesterday at the age of 48, after a long illness. She leaves a son.

CHILD DROWNED IN VILLAGE POOL

Slipping down the steps into a water pool, Zahar Habib Iliya, 10, drowned in the village of Reina in Galilee yesterday.

The Latin Patriarch, Monsignor Alberto Gori, opening the new road to the peak of Mt. Tabor yesterday. From left to right are Mr. S. Colbi of the Ministry for Religious Affairs, Father Bonardi, the Custos of Mt. Tabor, Monsignor Gori, and the Patriarchal Vicar in Israel, Monsignor Vergani.

New Road to Peak of Tabor

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER

HAIFA, Sunday.— A nine and-a-half kilometre long serpentine road, which twists in 18 curves to the peak of Mount Tabor, site of the Basilica of the Transfiguration and goal of many pilgrims and tourists, was ceremoniously opened by Monsignor Alberto Gori, the Latin Patriarch in Jerusalem, this morning.

At the foot of the mountain, where the new road starts its tortuous ascent, white and black-robed French pilgrim priests, Franciscan monks in dark brown cloaks, the grey uniform of senior police officers, the white keffiahs and red fesses of Arab notables, the bright scarlet garment of Monsignor Antonio Vergani, the Patriarchal Vicar in Israel, and Monsignor Gori in a grey habit and green-plumed hat, made a colourful picture before an arch flanked by the flag of Israel and the white flag of the Franciscan order with its five red crosses.

The road was built by the Public Works Department of the Ministry of Labour, at a cost of IL.100,000 in 52 days of strenuous work by 150 Jewish and Arab workmen. It has a minimum width of 3 metres, and replaces the old, uncomfortable dirt road on which it was built.

Before Monsignor Gori opened the road officially by reciting the inaugural blessing, and cutting the wide ribbon in the yellow and white colours of the Vatican after sprinkling it with Holy Water, a short ceremony was held. The French pilgrims took pieces of the consecrated ribbon for souvenirs.

The first speaker, Father Bonardi, the Custos of Mount Tabor, recalled the old days when he had had to carry barrels of water and sacks of flour up the old dirt road, and expressed his thanks to the Government for the new, easy road.

Monsignor Vergani also praised the Government for providing the budget for the work, and stressed the great religious significance of Mount Tabor for Christianity. At the same time he thanked the Government for the recently completed road to Capernaum.

For the Government, Dr. S. Colbi, of the Ministry for Religious Affairs, said that the construction of the road was an example of the friendly relations between the Government and the Christian community. It was the first of many additional visible expressions of this friendship. He ended with Psalm 89, 13. "The North and the South, Thou hast created them, Tabor and Hermon rejoice in Thy name."

Mr. A. Irron, Director of the Tourist Centre, thanked Monsignor Gori for giving his blessing to the road which was the second the Government has built to Holy Places this year. A third, to the Mount of Beatitudes, would be constructed soon. Their purpose was to give pilgrims and tourists easy access to the holy and historical places in Israel.

During the first half of 1954, 33 per cent more Christian tourists had come here than during the same period last year, while the general tourist traffic had also increased.

Among those present at the ceremony was the Custos of Terra Sancta, Father Hyacinth Faccio; the Father Guardian of Terra Sancta in Nazareth, J. J. Alliot; Church dignitaries; notables; the Haifa Spanish Consul, Mr. V. Khayat; representatives of the Military Governor, and Government officials.

Mount Tabor is the generally accepted scene of the Transfiguration in the New Testament. It figures widely in Jewish history, and on it, Deborah and Barak collected and trained their 10,000-strong army which swept down on Sisera's host.

The Basilica was built in 1924 on the site of earlier churches, parts of which are still preserved, the first dating back to the fourth century.

The Church of Saint Elias, of the Greek Orthodox faith, a pilgrims' hospice and Greek and Latin monastaries also stand on the Mountain.

Gov't, Jerusalem Agree on Finances

"Complete and mutual understanding" on the question of the Jerusalem Municipality's demands from the Government, and what aid the Government is prepared to extend, was reached at yesterday's meeting with Mr. E. Eliachar, Deputy Mayor in charge of Finance, Mr. A. Moyal, Director General of the Ministry of the Interior and Mr. P. Sapir, Director General of the Finance Ministry.

Mr. Eliachar expressed satisfaction with the results of their talk, concluding negotiations on the settlement of the City's debts, but he would not disclose details of the amounts involved.

Scare Bomb Suspect Held in Haifa

HAIFA, Sunday. — Police believe that they have solved the mystery of the scare bomb which was thrown at the Government Building here at 3.45 a.m. last Wednesday.

At first they thought that the investigation would prove fruitless, but today they detained Albert Louis Hurwitz, 22, of the Nahariya *ma'abara* and charged him with the offence. Hurwitz, who was born in the U.S., reportedly admitted the crime, which apparently was committed because of a grudge against the Registry Office in the building.

A number of windows were smashed by the explosion.

It was learned that Hurwitz had asked the Registry Office to help him find "a beautiful *sabra* girl called Aviva living on Mt. Carmel," whom he had met once. When the office was unable to trace the girl on such scant information, he reportedly threatened violence. This had led the police to him.

Novomeysky Denies Reported Donation

Mr. M. Novomeysky, honorary president of the Dead Sea Works, has denied a statement by the Jerusalem Municipality to the effect that he had donated IL.100,000 for the building of a youth education centre in Jerusalem.

At present abroad, Mr. Novomeysky said that this report was entirely devoid of foundation. He had never made any donation for such a project, and although he was interested in and had discussed with the Ministry of Education and Culture the setting up of a youth education centre in Jerusalem, he could not remember ever having offered such a large sum.

SWIMMING POOL SAID UNSANITARY

TEL AVIV, Sunday.— The owners of the Galei Hadarom swimming pool in Holon have been charged with operating the pool without permission and keeping it in an unsanitary condition. The claim was lodged today by the District Attorney, Mr. N. Ben Hadar, for the Attorney-General.

150,000 to Learn Hebrew

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The Government expects that 150,000 adults will learn Hebrew this year, Dr. Shaul Levine, Director of the Education and Culture Department of the Tel Aviv Municipality, told the press today on the Government-sponsored "Dissemination of the Hebrew Language" campaign.

In the past year, the Tel Aviv Municipality operated 100 classes which were attended by 3,000 students. This year, it is expected to absorb an additional 30,000 students. Teachers have been specially trained for adults, and courses have been adapted to the needs and interests of different groups of pupils. There will be special ulpanim for intensive studies, clubs for conversational Hebrew, as well as courses for employees in their establishments.

The Municipality is willing to accommodate any group with special requests. The cost will be 120 pruta per hour. Arrangements have been made to teach the language to the staff of some foreign missions.

The courses will be supplemented by visits to theatres (50 per cent reductions), National Holiday celebrations, and trips.

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — A plan to foster the teaching of the Hebrew language was adopted by the Histadrut Central Committee here today. Submitted by Mr. Y. Burstein and Mr. B. Schachar, it stipulates the "adoption" of new immigrant settlements by veteran villagers, who will be asked to teach Hebrew to the newcomers.

Economic Police Chief Heads Gillerman Probe

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — A brief halt was called today in the investigation of Mr. N. Gillerman, head of the Food Imports Division of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, to allow Mr. S. Zohar, head of the Economic Department of the Police at National Headquarters, to take over from his assistant, Mr. A. Liff. Mr. Zohar has just returned from leave.

Mr. Gillerman is still held *incommunicado*, but the investigations recently have been intensified in order to complete the file as quickly as possible.

Reports are coming in daily from police investigators abroad, sent to check the international ramifications of the black market deals allegedly carried out by D. Zilberstein. *(Itim)*

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'Israel Adjusting Policies to New Realities of Middle East'

NEW YORK, Sunday (INA). — The Jerusalem correspondent of "The New York Times" reported today that Israel is now adjusting her policies to the new Middle East conditions as evidenced by Prime Minister Moshe Sharett's two recent speeches in the Knesset, "which reflected reasonable calm after the emotional storm" raised by the latest developments.

The arms grant to Iraq, the Suez pact, U.S. aid to Egypt and the British lifting of the arms embargo to Egypt had resulted in "growing depression and anger" and the feeling that Israel was being ostracized by Britain and the U.S., he pointed out. While Mr. Sharett expressed in most forceful language public reaction against the Anglo-U.S. moves, he also voiced other ideas. These suggested the effect of recent events on Israel's foreign policy was recognition of the fact that the regional defence programme is being attempted in good faith.

Mr. Sharett, the correspondent wrote, asked that concern for Israel's security be translated into "deeds."

It is significant to note, the report added, that the Soviet Ambassador to Israel has been called home for a six-month leave, and that in the Knesset debate Mr. Sharett spoke more critically about the Soviet Union than ever before. In essence he said that Israel is interested in being friendly with the Soviet Union but would like some signs of reciprocity, the dispatch said.

With Israel's foreign policy thus receiving a fresh direction toward Washington and London it remains to be seen exactly what Israel wants, the correspondent continued. "Israel is not saying she wants tank for tank and plane for plane with the Arabs. On the other hand she is indicating she would be particularly happy with some new version of the 1950 declaration of Britain, France and the U.S. against aggression in this area," he wrote.

Israel's leaders feel that at present neither Israelis nor Arabs can possibly have an appreciation of the other side's intentions and policies, and it is said that in this ignorance, against the background of existing tensions, lies the real danger of a flare-up, the report concluded.

Stronger Bulgarian, Israel Ties Urged

TEL AVIV, Sunday.—Bulgaria has developed from a backward agricultural country before the war to a dynamic industrial one today, Mr. G. Zenguilekov, the Bulgarian Minister, told the press at a reception at his residence in Ramat Gan this evening, called to mark the tenth anniversary of the liberation of his country from the Nazis.

The Minister reviewed the rapid progress of Bulgaria in recent years, and expressed the hope that stronger ties would be forged between Bulgaria and Israel. An Israel trade delegation is to visit Bulgaria shortly, he revealed, to discuss mutual trade. A Bulgarian football team and a group of dancers will come to Israel within the coming months.

Hungary, Russia Star At Close of Aquatic Meet

TURIN, Sunday (Reuter). — The European swimming championships ended here today when two more gold medals were won by Hungarians, who showed their supremacy by gaining a total of eight out of 17 possible titles. Russia made a clean sweep in the diving events, winning all four gold medals.

The men's 1,500 metres free-style final today resulted in a Hungarian double, with Sydney Chordas adding another gold medal to his 400 metres free-style title earlier this week, clocking 18 mins. 57.9 secs. V. Lavrenko, Russia, completed the Eastern European triumph by winning the bronze medal.

Another double gold medal winner was Russia's Roman Brener, who won the men's high diving today in addition to his springboard title. The second place also went to Russia through Mikhail Chachba, who was followed by Peter Heatly, Britain.

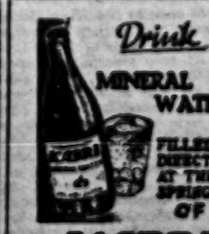
The women's four by 100 metres relay title was won by Hungary in four mins 30.6 secs.

Namir Intervenes In Ban on Artists

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Mr. M. Namir, Secretary-General of the Histadrut, intervened personally to stay the implementation of a ruling passed by the local Labour Council against artists who had not paid their Histadrut fees regularly.

The Council issued a memorandum last week demanding Histadrut-affiliated institutions to refrain from inviting artists who had forfeited their membership. Among those mentioned were some of the best known names in the country. Mr. Namir ordered the instructions to be cancelled as an appeal had been lodged in the matter.

TEL AVIV POLICE yesterday reported four attempted burglaries which were foiled due to the wakefulness of owners and passersby.



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There was no comment from Soviet Embassy circles yesterday on the report published in "The New York Times" suggesting that there was possibly a link between the return of Mr. Abramov, the Soviet Ambassador for six months home leave, and Mr. Sharett's sharp reference to the Soviet Union in the recent Knesset debate on foreign policy.

It is difficult to trace a clear connection between Mr. Abramov's visit to Moscow at this juncture and Mr. Sharett's speech in the Knesset as in any case the Russian Ambassador had been scheduled to leave a few days before the debate. His journey was postponed owing to Mr. Abramov's illness. In fact, he left Israel on August 29, two days before the Knesset foreign affairs debate began.

It should also be remembered that Mr. Abramov had a long standing engagement to meet Mrs. Chaim Weizmann and facilitate the arrangements for her visit to the Soviet Union.

It will be recalled that in answering the debate on foreign policy on Wednesday, September 1, Mr. Sharett said that Israel was interested in friendship with Russia but "would like to see some reciprocity as we understand the word."

He also asked whether there could be true friendship with the Soviet Union when such an unbridgable chasm separated Israel from the Jewry there, where two-and-a-half million Jews have no links with their brethren outside.

De Castries Pays Tribute To Vietminh Military

HANOI, Sunday (UP). — General Christian de Castries paid tribute today to the military ability of the Vietminh and stated that he did not think that they were under the thumb of the Chinese Communists.

The 52-year-old cavalry commander spoke briefly to newsmen here yesterday after he emerged from the Lanessan hospital, where he was given a thorough physical check.

"During my captivity," he said, "an officer of the enemy command showed me the plans of three battles in which I had personally taken part. I was struck by the minute preparations in the classic form which they had made before attacking."

Gen. de Castries added that his impression was that it was the Vietnam Communist Ho Chi Minh, who called the turn in northern Vietnam and not the Chinese Communists.

"The massive aid given the Vietminh by the Chinese Communists," he went on, "was motivated by the natural fraternization of two similar systems, but it seemed to me that the Vietminh retained their independence."

The hero of Dien Bien Phu first got the impression that the Vietminh intended to remain independent when, at the end of the Geneva conference, a Vietminh leader told him:

"General, we are happy that France will not leave Vietnam in the immediate future. We feared that your country would sign the armistice and leave."

De Castries said it was unmistakable that the Vietminh officer was referring to the menace of too insistent Chinese intervention in Vietminh affairs.

Yugoslavs Arrest Two Italian Fishing Boats

LONDON, Sunday (Reuter). — Two Trieste fishing vessels were arrested by Yugoslav coastguard boats while fishing off the Yugoslav Zone of the Free Territory of Trieste, the Yugoslav news agency, Tanjug, said today.

The captains of the two vessels will be brought to court. One of them, Mr. Giovanni Drioli, will appear in court for the second time, Tanjug added.

NEW OFFICERS

A ceremony marking the passing out of participants in an officers' course, took place yesterday at an unnamed Army base in the presence of the Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf Moshe Dayan.

Almost all the successful candidates were 18 or 19-year-old secondary school graduates.

Ask Danny,
which of his many Bar Mitzvah presents brought him most joy at the time and has remained a fine souvenir for years after.
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Foot Calls Arms To ME a 'Crazy Game'

LONDON, Sunday (UP). — Mr. Michael Foot, Labour M.P., said yesterday in his "Daily Herald" column that Western countries are playing a "crazy game" in shipping arms to the Middle East countries.

He stated that a few weeks ago the British Government agreed to withdraw troops from Egypt, the main reason being given that the H-Bomb has made the base obsolete. The same Government now has lifted the embargo on arms supplies to Egypt on the pretext that the move would enable Middle Eastern countries to share in the defence of the area and to deter the Russians from aggression.

"So a few Centurion tanks, probably obsolescent, in the hands of the Egyptians, are to achieve results beyond the power of a fully-equipped British force of 80,000 men. That is military balderdash on any reckoning," Mr. Foot wrote.

Terming the policy criminal as well as stupid, he pointed out:

Egypt gets arms from Britain. So does Jordan. Iraq is getting them from the U.S. Syria has joined the same queue. Saudi Arabia is negotiating for arms from France and Italy. And, of course, the State of Israel, surrounded by Arab States, gets some too.

He added that when this was debated in Commons, it was defended on sound commercial principles. "What a discreditable motive that is for the world's most enlightened democracy!"

Syrian Communists Warn of US 'Plans'

The Syrian Communist Party, in its first pre-election pamphlet called on voters to oppose those elements seeking to silence "the voice of free Syrians," the Arab News Agency reported yesterday.

The Syrian elections are scheduled for September 20.

The pamphlet told voters that the U.S. intends to replace the British imperialists in the Middle East, and called for a united front against "imperialism in the Arab world."

REBUILDING GAZA WATER TOWER

The Egyptian Government has contributed LE3,000 towards the rebuilding of the Gaza water tower blown up recently in an alleged Israel attack last month, ANA reports from Gaza.

MORRISON TO TOUR US FOR BONDS NEXT MONTH

NEW YORK, Sunday (UP). — The Right Hon. Herbert Morrison, British M.P., will visit the U.S. next month and will speak in several cities on behalf of the campaign for the sale of Israel Bonds, it was announced yesterday by Mr. Samuel Rothberg, National Chairman of the State of Israel Bond Organization.

Cables in Brief

LAMAS. — The Chinese Prime Minister Mr. Chou En-lai and General Chu Teh, Commander-in-Chief of the Chinese Army were among 800 people to welcome the Dalai Lama and the Panchen Lama, temporal and spiritual heads of Tibet, when they arrived in Peking by train on Saturday, Peking Radio reported.

TANKER. — A tanker of 30,000 tons which is reported to be Sweden's biggest ship, was launched on Sunday at Uddevalla in Western Sweden. The tanker, Josefina Thorden, is 200.5 metres long, 25.5 metres broad and 14 metres deep, with a tanking capacity of 41,000 cu.m.

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THE fact that the devotion of the personnel at the Acre mental hospital has triumphed over the almost incredible difficulties of conducting such an institution in the ancient citadel only points up the defects in the present state of treatment of mental illness.

MENTAL HOSPITALS

There are, at the moment, only 2,000 beds available for Israel's mentally sick although there are at least 4,500 mentally afflicted people awaiting hospitalization. The remaining 2,500 therefore have no immediate prospect of the prolonged treatment which alone can relieve their condition. Even the latest Ministry of Health plan to convert the *ma'bara* at Pardes Hanna into a five-hundred bed hospital has been shelved for lack of funds.

Israel is not alone in the acute shortage of beds for mental cases. The spread of nervous diseases is a phenomenon known in most civilized countries and is one of the unfortunate products of the increasing strain of modern life. Most countries have now come to the conclusion that it is a very false economy indeed to improvise beds for sufferers from nervous diseases. Modern therapy demands specially designed buildings in spacious grounds, a much higher standard of training of staffs and the establishment of facilities for prolonged individual therapy. The best that most public hospitals everywhere can do at present is to give occasional psychological consultation. Generally patients are discharged the moment they become "quiet," and sent out in the world to suffer almost inevitable relapse after a shorter or longer period.

This is the worst possible thing that can happen to martyrs to this malady. It normally means that their difficulties in establishing themselves in society are progressively increased after each visit to hospital. The shortage of beds also means that the families of patients are far too often drawn into the orbit of mental strain, with disastrous results.

Even where a patient is removed to hospital quickly, the seed of subsequent trouble in the family can be sown by visits of relatives to hospitals such as Acre where the surroundings (so poignantly described in these columns last Friday) are well calculated to influence them adversely. There is no answer to the problem of efficient and wise handling of mental disease other than the provision of modern, properly designed hospitals. Anything else is as primitive, in the light of modern advances in the science of mental treatment, as the antiquated Bedlams of a bygone age.

BEIGEL ECONOMICS

THE apocryphists, who abound among us and who often have some fantastic hypotasis of truth on their side, even if the trifling detail of fact is absent, are alleging repercussions in our Ministry of Commerce and Industry of the recent short-lived strike of beigel workers in New York.

It seems that in certain mythical conclaves a heated discussion has taken place on a technical report on the dynamics of beigel manufacture in Israel. It was suggested that since the air is still free an economy might well be effected by manufacturers of beigel enlarging the diameter of the hole which is the principal feature of that delicacy. After considerable research the experts pointed out that to increase the circumference of the hole was proportionately to step up the quantity of the dough since, as Agnon has truly averred, a hole never becomes a beigel until it is surrounded by dough. The report of aminority committee then came up for consideration suggesting a reduction in the circumference of the hole with a consequent shrinking in the measurement of the outer dough, regardless of the damage this would wreak to the beigel's classical proportions.

In the end it was felt that the whole matter was becoming a vicious circle and was best left alone; so no law altering the proportions of the Israel beigel will now clutter up the heavily over-loaded agenda of the present Knesset.

But perhaps the apocryphists were not just biting on air. Our problems, particularly in the field of economics, are strangely complicated by the influence of persistent custom, by lack of raw materials and by a plethora of expert advice. To reduce the amount of sery substance and increase the solid elements in our economy is still a maze out of which the multi-pointing fingers of experts give little clear direction.

PROFILE— PRESIDENT MAGSAYSAY

AN Asian city has been chosen for the SEATO (South-East Asia Treaty Organization) conference, opening today, that history has made unoriental. Poverty does not obtrude in Manila. The Ministers and soldiers attending will have marble-floored hotels and music in the dining rooms. There will be a toing and froing between villas built in the Spanish style. As memorials of the past, the delegates will see the wrecks from recent wars that litter the wide bay, a huddle of broken churches, the monuments of nationalists shot for their views. And they will have as their host one of the five Asian leaders who have committed their future to standing beside the Western Powers against Communism, and one who can be admired without reservations.

Ramón Magsaysay is the first President of the Philippines to have been elected by the undoubted will of the people. It was an electoral revolution, overthrowing financial and political privilege without violence or fear. Such things can happen in Europe and in North and South America, but they seldom occur in Asia. It has often been said that the Philippines resemble a Latin American State much more than they resemble their fellow Asians, and Magsaysay's election is the fulfilment of a unique colonial story, a happier one than most of Asia has known.

Magsaysay's preoccupation is not with foreign affairs; he was elected on a simple and adequate programme — the abolition of graft, land for the landless, a fair deal for the poor. His difficulty has been to clothe these unexceptional propositions with legislation: he has attacked the problem in the spirit of an undecimaire radical. Earlier, as the responsible Minister, he had reformed the Philippine Army until it was the finest institution in the State; he won supreme office only because the Army made sure that last year's elections were genuinely free and uncorrupt.

Magsaysay was born the son of a village craftsman 47 years ago. He got himself an education, and by the time the Japanese made their onslaught onto Manila he was manager of a fleet of 110 country buses. They were requisitioned and lost at Bataan. Magsaysay became the leader of a band of anti-Japanese guerrillas. The hardships shared with American officers who stayed behind increased his affection and trust in America, and when the United States forces ultimately returned he was made military governor of his native province of Zambales.

In politics, he became a symbol of the hopes of the poor man: he was elected a Liberal Party senator. He was also much trusted by Americans who were tiring of the corruption of the Quirino Administration and quietly insisted that Magsaysay be made Secretary of State for Defence in 1950. This confronted him with the problem of the Hukbalahap revolt.

It had begun in the classic manner. At the liberation, peasants who were either landless or fastened by tenancy laws dating from the Spanish occupation found themselves with weapons at hand; they made their cruel and fumbling protest. Also in the classic manner, their movement was taken over and organized by Communists. By 1950, they threatened the survival of the State. To-day they are reduced to a nuisance, and probably this problem will no longer exist by the end of this year. This has been Magsaysay's work.

He sacked three generals, which is always good for the morale of junior officers, and turned the Army into an aggressive, hunting instrument. He also offered pardons and land for surrendering Huks. Although in office, he dispensed with the senatorial pomp of Filipino politicians and began making sudden personal visitations—a habit he has continued as President. He attended anti-Huk operations, walked unannounced into camps, stood alone in the centre of lonely villages and asked for complaints; this rightly convinced his people that he minded.

In 1953 he resigned from the Liberal Party in protest against its corruption, and was accepted by the Nationalist Party. He received the surprisingly generous support of its leaders, Jose Laurel and Claro Recto, two able senators who had run the Philippines during the Japanese occupation: they are not blamed by their fellow-countrymen for this "collaboration:" it is accepted as having been a painful necessity.

Magsaysay and these highly intelligent Nationalist leaders made a formidable combination. Romulo, who came home from the United Nations to be a candidate for the Presidency, stood down in his favour, and the enthusiasm of the American Press for Magsaysay gave him extra prestige. And so it was that the barefoot boy defeated his former chief, Quirino, and became President with a majority of over a million and a half.

Today Magsaysay is still as restless as a boxer, a sturdy nervous dominating man who moves through a room in the American manner, swiftly shaking hands and clapping shoulders. His personal life is austere, his drink coca-cola; he dresses for the most part with a careful informality, wears the gaudy embroidered Filipino shirt that hangs outside the trousers; and his residence, the crumbling, sprawling Malacanang Palace, is kept as open as a kiosk in a park.

Young Assistants

His assistants tend to be of astonishing youthfulness: but they are learning, and at the end of the last session of Congress a shower of Bills was passed as the start of a five-year plan of reform. A large programme of road building has been started to open up the interior, and the beginning made in financing agricultural banks that will ask for eight to ten per cent rather than the 50 or even 100 per cent which was what a peasant at seeding time had to face in the past. The averge Filipino feels that something is being done for him at last.

But not everyone. A serious opposition now exists in the most intelligent part of the Senate. It largely concerns foreign affairs, and it is led by the brilliant and forceful lawyer, Claro Recto. At present the Philippines are bound to the United States by a trade Act which ties their weak economy to that of America: this forces them to accept extravagant imports which they do not need. Recto's colleague, Laurel, is now head of a commission which will negotiate to have this Act altered in Washington.

They are also bound by a Mutual Defence Agreement. America has great bases in the Philippines that are virtually extra-territorial, but there is no automatic proviso obliging America to come to the aid of the Philippines in any circumstances. Recto has asked for such a proviso in the past. Today he is actually opposing commitments by the Philippines in the proposed SEATO unless such a proviso is given.

Recto has introduced a whiff of Asian nationalism into Filipino politics. But it is not the kind found in India, which is too deeply neutralist to discuss military commitments at all; rather, it is the variant found in those Asian countries from Siam to Japan that recognize the pressure from Communist China as a fact and wish to know precisely what the West is, and is not, prepared to do. This latter kind threatens neutralism, but does not postulate it.

At Manila, Magsaysay is likely to put Recto's argument for having an effective treaty or else no treaty at all. It is substantially the same case as that which will be put less reasonably by Syngman Rhee, less convincingly by Pilbul of Siam, and less gently by the Vietnamese. Coming from Magsaysay, it will come from a man whose patriotism is a love of poor people and whose political fault of impulsiveness would be a virtue in private life. *(OPNS)*

AUSTRALIAN BID FOR SEATO H.Q.

By ARTHUR SCHOLES

SYDNEY (NANA)—The Australian delegation to the South-East Asia Defence Conference today will press to have the seat of the South-East Asia Treaty Organization established in Australia, according to informed sources here. The preferred site is Melbourne, where General Douglas MacArthur made his headquarters in 1942.

The delegation is also expected to propose the creation of a British Commonwealth reserve force for service against the Communists in Malaya. New Zealand and Britain would be the other contributing countries. The three Commonwealth Nations would accept responsibility for defending the Malayan sector of Southeast Asia.

Top Australian military chiefs and cabinet ministers have decided that Australia will need American arms and equipment if her forces are to play their full roles. They will ask chiefly for fighter and bomber planes.

It is emphasized that in the event of war, Britain could supply Australia with only limited amounts of military equipment. Aid would have to come from the U.S. and standardization of equipment would greatly simplify the supply problem.

PEN FRIENDS

Dirk Coetzee, a 16-year-old boy of 361 Murchison St., Ladysmith, Natal, South Africa, would like to correspond with a girl of his own age. His hobby is stamp collecting.

Maureen Whitlock, P.O. Golden Valley, Cape Province, South Africa, 12 years old, would like to correspond in English with someone a few years older than herself who is interested in stamps.

Yesterday's Press

Doctors Concentrated in Cities

COMMENTING on a recent press conference given by the Minister of Health, "Davar" (Histadrut) agrees with his statement that the health services should not be nationalized. Instead, effective use should be made of the facilities that exist. The paper complains, however, that the Ministry discriminates against the Sick Fund of the Histadrut, which provides medical care for 60 per cent of the population. The paper notes the concentration of physicians in the big cities and says that an improvement in the pay of salaried doctors, coupled with administrative measures, may contribute towards a more equitable distribution of medical services throughout the country, but this aim will not be fully achieved without pioneering initiative on the part of the physicians themselves.

"Haboker" (General Zionist) says that not a few medical students who had to promise to work in the country now try to shirk their obligations. As for the relations between the Ministry and Kupat Holim, the paper says that the expenses of the Histadrut sick fund have increased in view of the "expansionist tendencies" of this institution. The paper also remarks that the fund receives much Government assistance indirectly as hospitalization of its members in government institutions — which costs the State IL.8.- *per diem*.

"Ha'aretz" (Independent) says that recent conditions put by the Treasury to the Jerusalem Municipality (that it must at once pay IL.70,000 to the electric company and Mekorot) is a dangerous precedent, tantamount to the management of municipal affairs by a government commissar. However, says the paper, Jerusalem Municipality has been so inefficient, that its past record was practically an invitation for the government to intervene.

Immigration Delay

"Hatzofe" (World Mizrahi Union) says that 15,000 Jews could have been brought to this country during the next four months within the framework of the emergency immigration from North Africa, but in view of the fact that the necessary preparations have not been made to absorb them (new immigrants are now sent directly to their homes in agricultural settlements) only 8,000 will come. The paper complains about this delay and quotes a statement by Mr. S. Shragai, the head of the Jewish Agency Immigration Department, according to whom "we are already too late with regard to the Jews in the Moroccan villages." "Herut" and "Hamodia" (Agudat Yisrael) put the responsibility for this delay on the Immigration Department of the Jewish Agency and not on the "hostile" atmosphere that Mr. S. Shragai complains of.

"Zmanim" (Progressive) deals in its editorial with Major Salah Salem's visit to Amman and "Kol Ha'am" (Communist) holds the Americans to blame for what is wrong with sewage projects in Tel Aviv.

Old and New Mellahs

By RAL LEHRMAN

FEZ: My chief Jewish host in this northern fastness is Samuel Hamou, insurance broker, president of the Fez Jewish community, and Governmental Councillor for the region, which contains about 25,000 Jews. He is the best specimen I've encountered yet of the new Moroccan Jew: French - educated, blue - eyed, broad in chest, hard in muscle. His office is adorned with trophies: three times winner of international tennis tourneys; captain of the Fez soccer and basketball teams, both of them all-Moroccan champion. Yet Hamou was born in the *mellah*. "My parents did not dare go into the street before peering out of the door. In the days before the French, Jews could venture into the Bled to trade with the Moslems, but only at the risk of their lives. There were no roads, no law, no order. I can show you graves of Jews one kilometre from the Old City walls, on the spot where they were murdered.

"When I was five, in 1912, just before the first French troops reached here after debarking in Casablanca, the *mellah* was sacked and burned. My mother's father was shot dead before my eyes. For two days and nights the Jews hid in the cemetery while their houses were pillaged. Twenty-five of them were massacred."

With such memories, Hamou is a bear for getting Jews away *from* concentrated ghettoes where some day the Moslems might go searching for them anew. He explained that a state building programme, begun four years ago, allocates an annual total of two billion francs for housing, 10 per cent of it for Jews. "Fez is the only Moroccan city where the new Jewish homes are not in or next to the old Jewish quarter."

We drove off for a tour. He showed me a *Habitat Israelite* one one edge of a big real-estate development in the French part of town. Three bright and sunlit buildings, with balconies and many windows. "Plenty of room," said Hamou, pointing to a few boys playing on the new grass. He gestured across an open lot towards another fresh block of flats. "Those are for French civil servants. The *mellah*, and the *medina*, too, are comfortably far away."

I remarked that in Marrakesh the homes just built by the State for Jewish tenancy are right next to the *mellah*. In fact the area is already being called "the new *mellah*." In Meknes, however, a whole fine new Jewish quarter has been put up and the old *mellah* abandoned.

"Yes," Hamou replied, "but it's all close by and it's still a ghetto. In our mellah we have 10 000 Jews. There is also room around it for more houses. But we won't accept it: I stood up to the commanding general here at the beginning because he wanted to buy us a plot near the mellah. I took the case all the way to the Government Council, Marshal Juin finally overruled the general. This year they wanted to add more ground for construction next to these new buildings, and I fought it again. I said I wouldn't let them make a ghetto out of it. I told them I'd rather not build at all. So finally we found a terrain a good distance from here."

How much impact was the housing programme making on *mellah* congestion?"

"Conditions are worst in Casablanca. The city developed very much under the French, and Jews came from many of the towns. In 1912 only 5,000 Jews lived in Casa; today there are 50,000 inside and outside the mellah. But even here in Fez, it will be long and slow, the emptying of the mellah. We evacuate about 500 persons every year with the housing programme. Maybe 500 more get out and find lodgings on their own. But at the same time we have an average of 500 births a year."

Through the Place de Commerce into the Jewish quarter. Narrow, odorous, stony streets cruel to the feet and nostrils — the same pattern as in all Morocco. Hamou took me to the Community office to show me the accounts. The largest source of revenue is a tax on *kasher* meat. It is levied by the state but goes back in part to each *kehilla*. (Jews eat only the front quarters, so half of each *kasher*-slaughtered animal is consumed by Moslems and Christians; but the tax is paid on the whole animal, which produces a tidy communal income.)

Other items in Hamou's ledger showed payments from a wine tax, cemetery, and charitable collections during *Pessah* and *Succot*. These collections are designed only to finance the general communal administration, he said. Individual institutions, like schools, receive separate donations. "Thanks to the Joint's example," he added, "these are increasing from year to year."

Leaves from A Traveller's Notebook

Were the rich giving according to their means?

"No," a shade indignantly. "The largest gift any institution gets is 50,000 francs, (IL.270) but there are some rich Jews who could easily give a million. It's not the way it is in America. Here, there is no habit of generous philanthropy. Our Moroccan Jews still remember the centuries of persecution when the only shield they had against oppression was money. Even now, they give up a small portion of that defence only with reluctance."

When I asked to see a list of top givers, however, Hamou looked blank. It appears that no composite figures of gifts existed. Each institution kept its separate record of charitable receipts, and no one knew how much any individual had given in total. I delivered a short lecture on the magic virtues — as perfected by American welfare-fund strategists — of having such totals in hand when calling on "prospects" at the beginning of a new year. Hamou's eyes gleamed. On the spot he instructed his clerk to send questionnaires to all the institutions covering 1952 and 1953, and then to collate the results without delay. I have the impression that a fund-raising revolution in Fez may be imminent.

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PARIS: Looking back now on my Moroccan journey, I think the big news is that the Jews there are really Jews, pretty much like Jews anywhere else. This may sound simple and even simple-minded. But it isn't. In the *mellah* when I first saw it in 1948, I could find little to remind me of Jews. I remember, too, how dubious American Jewish audiences were when in the early postwar years they were first exhorted to open their purses wider for the salvation of their North African "brethren." To the average eye, including mine, the *mellah* people seemed creatures from not merely a different longitude but another era — remote, barbarous, and unredeemable. To the more cynical, appeal for funds to help such "Jews" sounded like an artful dodge of the professional moneyraisers and social workers who needed to stay in business with new slogans and fresh clients after Hitler's departure. The givers gave, but not out of conviction that any solid good would come of it, not in North Africa, anyway.

Well, we now can see that North Africa was no mere campaign "gimmick." Those orators who used to pull all the stops about the Jews filling in part of the gap left by Nazism's six million victims were talking about something very real. Because these North African Jews, in all their degradation and unrecognizableness, were truly Jews, nursing inside them all the qualities which made them so different from the Arabs whom outwardly they seemed to resemble, and which needed only a favourable opportunity in order to shine forth. That chance, after millennium of neglect, has finally been given them.

The Jewish children of Morocco, exposed to soap and sanitation, have emerged bright and mischievous and whole. The mothers of the *mellah*, rescued from an age of witchcraft, have grown as zealous and as "Jewish" for their children as any Great Neck mother reared on the dicta of Dr. Spock. The fathers have straightened their backs — and proceeded to organize themselves according to basic Jewish communal patterns the world over.

All these marvels have not come about without error or conflict. The French have been touchy about Americans operating in their sensitive domain. Some of the foreign Jewish agencies previously on the scene, like the Alliance Israelite, have resented the alleged tendencies of the Joint to embark on strange new programmes without adequate consultation with its older colleagues. It has been accused of arrogance and "imperialism." The Joint, in turn, has sometime felt that certain foreign colleagues were more concerned with retaining their prior positions than with aiding the common cause.

Nor is the great work by any means more than just beginning. Money, ingenuity, and patience will have to be drawn in great drafts for a considerable time to come before the reclamation of these long forgotten Jews can be declared accomplished. Violent power conflicts in which these Jews have no place except as pawns may retard, or even reduce, the progress already recorded. But the mission is magnificent, and it is to the credit of American Jewry that the need was discerned and the work begun.

(This is the second of two articles. The first appeared on September 3).

At the Cinema

IT is the magic power of Pushkin, on a long short-story of whose the Italian production "La Vendetta di Aquila Nera" (Zion, J'lem) is based, which distinguishes this cloak-and-dagger period piece from other spectacles about noble brigands. Witnessing this grand and moving historical portrayal of splendour and misery, one can't help feeling that our times are no worse than 18th century Czardom.

Starring Rossano Brazzo and Maria Canale, this production is so authentic in characterization and landscape photography that a distinguished lady-artist of Russian descent asked us after the premiere if it had been produced in Russia.

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Readers' Letters

AID FOR JERUSALEM

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — It is with mixed feelings that Jerusalem residents read in the Press the frequent appeals of Mif'al Ha'payis stating that it is engaged in building schools and hospitals throughout the country. We believe that the citizens of Jerusalem who are called upon to participate in the lottery should be made aware of the fact that the Capital has never benefited from any of its grants for hospital accommodation. Hovevei Jerusalem, as a citizens' association working for the benefit of our Capital, cannot agree to a State-sponsored lottery continuously neglecting its most urgent needs.

Originally, Mif'al Ha'payis was created to help expand hospital accommodations maintained by the various municipalities. In Jerusalem, Hadassah, Bikur Holim, Sha'arei Zedek, Magen David Adom and other institutions are taking care of our health services, thus relieving the Municipality of heavy responsibility. For this reason, the city's hospitals have not come within the scope of the law of Mif'al Ha'payis, and although additional health services are urgently needed, Jerusalem has never had any share in the fund's allocations.

With Mif'al Ha'payis now permitted to include schools in its programme, the legal situation has changed. Hovevei Jerusalem has just completed a survey of hygienic conditions in some of the local schools and kindergartens, discovering alarming conditions. Some are without any sanitary facilities, others have overflowing cesspits near the entrance, etc. In the belief that this deplorable neglect can now be remedied with the aid of Mif'al Ha'payis funds, we strongly recommend:

A panel of experts in school hygiene and school health services must be appointed to decide on a minimum programme of hygienic facilities in schools, to be implemented at once without any regard to the educational tendencies of the school. Hovevei Jerusalem offers the assistance of its own expert on hygiene, on whose initiative the survey was made.

Those allocating the funds should ensure that Jerusalem receives that sum of money it would have been allowed to date had the State Lottery's Law recognized the Capital's needs from the beginning.

Yours, etc.,

HOVEVEI JERUSALEM

Jerusalem, Aug. 23.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — *The Jerusalem Post* gave one plenty to think about last week. That's as it should be with a good newspaper. To begin with, Jerusalem readers made the striking discovery that after Sde Boker will have its piped water supply, about the only pioneering community left to bear water trouble nobly will be the capital. The Municipality certainly has given the electorate more than one opportunity to meditate about elections and the ways of democracy in general.

The Knesset has not been inspiring lately and Gershon Agron refreshingly did some heartsearching (on August 20) about our relations with absentee Zionists. His formula of endearing Israel to the world and letting her Government evoke the utmost loyalty from her citizens is lucid and admirable. Thank heaven there is still plenty left to endear us to the world and to be loyal about.

In this connection, it may be interesting to note a recent issue of a Swiss illustrated weekly in which the editor himself used his column for some admiring remarks about Shlomo Lavi of Ein Harod who had his parliamentary immunity withdrawn at his own request.

David Courtney deserves special praise for hitting the multiheaded nail of our complex political life brilliantly on one head with his remarks on the four per cent clause (Aug. 18). While this proposal sounds plausible, it seems unthinkable that its chief victims should be the Progressives whose invaluable contribution to dignity and statesmanship in our political life is out of all proportion to their small number.

But the statement of a certain Mr. Goren, reported by you on the 19th, that in his opinion the bus companies "were among the most efficient enterprises in the country" is simply too outrageous to be commented on by sober, long-suffering commuters. Here is a clear case of struggle against a power group of modern managerial society, one of those pressure groups who earned the title "modern feudalism" as opposed to central government in a recent article by Richard Crossman. If service could be improved (of which there doesn't seem much hope) people would willingly pay increased fares even now.

Yours, etc.,

G. G. P.

Jerusalem, Aug. 24.

KEEPING POSTED

A POLITICAL correspondent has written to us protesting the picture of Estes Kefauver printed in *The Jerusalem Post* with the announcement of the Democratic Senator's arrival here and showing him in his famous coon-skin cap. He points out that the Senator doffed this particular headgear some time ago and scorned the use of it as a campaign gimmick during his last election battle, which he won by a large majority. Further, he goes on, there are probably very few people in this country who have ever seen a coon-skin cap and are therefore likely to confuse it with something nearer home and get a totally wrong idea of which party Senator Kefauver really belongs to.

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ANOTHER American arrived recently to collect material for a book about democratic institutions here. Although a middle-aged gentleman and unused to roughing it, he took a taxi to Beersheba, hoping to find there transport to Sde Boker, where he had an appointment with another middle-aged gentleman. However he discovered that the only reasonable link was a daily motor caravan and that he had left his wallet at his hotel in Jerusalem. The taxi service, however, was unwilling to extend him any credit, and the writer, with plenty of time to ponder our indulgent institutions, used his return ticket to go back to Jerusalem and missed his appointment.

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OWNERS of sick dogs in Haifa must find themselves in a bit of a quandry. A sign in the lobby of a Haifa apartment house reads: "No Dogs Allowed In This Building." Underneath it is another sign reading: "Reception Hours For Dogs Daily From 9 to 4 p.m. Dr. . . . Veterinary Surgeon."

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HAIFA has seen the invention and production of an exceptionally effective anti-tick wash, now used by dog owners (on their dogs that is) throughout the country. Both the rinse and the powder have a strong and very specific odour, familiar to every dog owner. A Haifa man, out rambling on Mt. Carmel with his dog, was therefore very surprised to catch a whiff of what seemed to him to be about 100 freshly rinsed dogs. Rounding a corner he came upon a great basin hewn out of the rocky hillside and filled to the brim with water and Haifa's famous anti-tick rinse. A couple of hundred sheep and goats were gazing delightedly at two strapping white-bearded Druse who were lifting the animals one by one and dumping them head first into the basin.

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WE ourselves have a dog and we have nothing against our various friends who keep parrakeets, monkeys, cats, canaries and white mice. However we can't quite make out the shoeshine chap in Jerusalem's Zion Square who has tied to his magnificent brass shoe-box a piece of string, on the other end of which is a chicken, amply provided for with scraps of bread, fruit and potato peel. He may envisage selling fresh eggs on the spot, but we prefer to think he keeps it only for company.

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GOING over to the King David Hotel the other evening, we bump into a large colleague of ours wearing an open necked once yellow shirt, sagging jeans that might have been blue, and sandals. Ask him what's new and why he comes to the King David dressed like that. Smiles disarmingly, says it's only place he attracts attention any more. Joined by slim dark bejewelled tourist and party. Watch them enter dining room. Smart move by headwaiter from opposite side. Heads off colleague, says he must wear jacket and tie. Colleague says never wears jacket or tie, matter of principle. Headwaiter gives ground before tourist and large colleague but goes on protesting. Gets red in face. Colleague repeats, matter of principle my good man don't you understand, principle . . . Headwaiter goes on protesting, party reaches table, headwaiter retreats to call manager. Slim dark tourist calms her guests, seems to prefer columnists to headwaiters. Manager not available, party proceeds in high humour, colleague wipes gravy off bare chest. See now why he never wears tie. Take off our tie too, but nobody notices.

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A FRIEND of ours took his wife to the movies this week, tried leaving his five-year-old son at home alone. The couple left the light on for him and gave him a book to read, and took the precaution of leaving a key with their neighbour asking her to look in on him. The neighbour duly looked in, and seeing the boy put the book aside thought she would do him a favour and read him to sleep. Next morning friend asked his son how he had spent the night. He complained: "I couldn't fall asleep because Mrs. P. . . . kept reading all the time."

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